THE **NORTON** GROUP

699 Broadway, Ball Square Somerville, MA 02144 617-623-6600

www.thenortongroupre.com

Somerville's original independent newspaper

The Somerville Times www.thesomervilletimes.com



VOL. 3 NO. 27

SOMERVILLE, MASS. WEDNESDAY, JULY 8, 2015

TWENTY-FIVE CENTS

Inside:



A better deal for your server page 3



Annual Fireworks Celebration page 12-13



Keeping the kids fed and healthy page 15

Controversial fire station location discussed and debated



Mayor Curtatone and members of the community looked on as interim Somerville Fire Chief Sullivan addressed the meeting, speaking in favor of the proposed 515 Somerville Ave. location for the city's new

By Josie Grove

Nearly 100 people filled the Somerville Aldermanic Chambers on Monday night, eager to hear and be heard about the city's proposal for a fire station at 515 Somerville Ave. The contentious project has sparked a vocal opposition from some neighbors, who have organized into a group called Save Spring Hill.

At the beginning of the hearing, Mayor Joseph Curatone minimized the concerns of the group. "It is important to just dismiss a couple of myths," the mayor said. He vehemently denied that property values will decrease for homes near a fire station. Because of the demand for housing in the city, said the mayor, "Property values in Somerville, for better or worse, are increasing."

Curtatone emphasized that 515 Somerville Ave. is ideal for the fire

Youth Pass program launches in Boston

By Amy Swain

July 1 saw the launch of the Youth Pass Pilot Program in Boston. Members of the Youth Affordabili(T) Coalition gathered at Dudley Station in Roxbury for a ribbon cutting ceremony along with many special guests including Mayor Gary Christenson of Malden, Felix Arroyo, Chief of Health and Human Services in Boston, and Omar Boukili, Advisor to Mayor Joseph Curatone of Somerville, among many others.

The program offers discounted fares on public transportation between Boston, Chelsea, Malden and Somerville. Youths between the ages of twelve and nineteen will be eligible for a \$26 month pass or a \$7 week pass, passes which usually cost commuters \$75 and \$19. Those between age nineteen and twenty-one will have access to the pass based on criteria of their involvement with an educational or work program.

The goal is to enhance opportunity to inner city adolescents by providing access to affordable transportation as a means Continued on page 5



The Youth Pass Pilot Program promises to offer youngsters between the ages of 12 and 19 an opportunity to acquire significant discounts for public transportation in and around the Boston, Chelsea, Malden and — Photo by Amy Swain

Summer Special

Looking to increase business over the summer season? Run your ad with The Somerville Times. We are now offering a 6-week advertisement Summer Special. For more details call:

617-666-4010

leslie@thesomervilletimes.com





Green & Yellow Cab Serving Somerville & Surrounding Areas!

617-628-0600

617-625-5000

Logan reservations our specialty - Call 3 days in advance to book your trip.

OPEN 24-HOURS A DAY!

24 hour GPS automated dispatching system

We'll get you home safely. Please don't drink and drive.

Over 50 Years

Experience

Plumbing • Heating • Gas Fitting • Industrial Work • Water Heater Replacement • Complete Drain Service

Residential - Industrial - Commercial

625-987

Proud to be a Somerville resident Master Plmb. Lic. #6106



This Thursday night our own Doug Holder will have a book launch at the Newton Writing and Publishing Center, 289 Eliot Street, Newton MA. Beginning at 7:00 p.m., hear Doug read, clap for him, buy an autographed copy of his book...eat cake! Doug is a great guy and a very talented writer.

Save the date: Saturday October 17 at the Holiday Inn the SHS Scholarship Foundation will be celebrating its 25th Anniversary. For updates go to their Facebook page.

Happy Birthdays this week to some of our Villen friends and just friends of The Times: Later this week, former mayor and all around great guy who never says no to any non-profit here in the city, Gene Brune, will be celebrating this coming Sunday. If you see him wish him HB. What a great Somervillen. Celebrating as well is Mary Walker, a lifelong resident and involved in the city over the years. Another awesome Somervillen known to many here. Ward 4 Police Officer and another great guy Mike Wyatt is celebrating this week. We wish him the very best. A nice guy and a great example of what and how a police officer is here in the city. A happy birthday to a good friend and former Villen, Paul Gaspar, who is celebrating this week. We wish him the very best. Another good friend and well known Salem realtor is Anne Webster, who runs the CBRB office in Salem. We wish her a happy birthday. Again, to all those other great fans of our paper we say happy birthday as well. If you know of anyone you'd like to see recognized on their birthday, let us know. ******

We're working on a new addition to the paper involving real estate that everyone will like. We'll make and announcement very soon.

There's a new web site in town. Check it out at www.somervillema.com. The Somerville Times on the site.

Enjoy a prehistoric chill as SomerMovie Freeze kicks off with a screening of *Ice Age*. The movie starts just Continued on page 11

The Somerville Times

699 Broadway, Somerville, MA 02144 news@thesomervilletimes.com www.thesomervilletimes.com 617-666-4010 + Fax: 617-628-0422



@somervilletimes



www.facebook.com/ thesomervilletimes

Publisher – Somerset Valley Publishing Inc. Editor – Jim Clark Assignment Editor – Bobbie Toner

Advertising Director – Bobbie Toner Arts Editor – Doug Holder

Writers: Jim Clark, Douglas Yu, Tom Bannister, Rebecca Danvers, Ross Blouin, Donald Norton

Contributors: William C. Shelton, Josie Grove, Patrick McDonagh, Oliver Bok, Haley ED Houseman, Laura Stiffler, Mariya Manzhos, Dorothy Dimarzo, Bob Doherty Photographer: Claudia Ferro

The Somerville Times is published every Wednesday

A proud member of the following newspaper organizations:







The Somerville Times.com Comments of the Week

Response to: Somerville resident owns Harvard Sq. history

Geordie Klass says:

A great shop. Fantastic product line and nice people working there. Nice to see this write up.

Marion G says:

Haven't been in there for years but its good to see that its still going strong and upholding its long standing traditions. A wonderfully unique spot.

Michael M says:

I visit this shop at least once a month for various items but also just to take in the atmosphere. What a fine piece of history that is being preserved!

Response to: Somerville By Design looks at Union Sq.

A. Moore says:

Here we go with the tax revenue business again. Like we haven't heard that before at Assembly. More revenue and the taxes go up. Go figure.

Uncle Rocco says:

Notice how with each new dog-and-pony show, the crowd gets smaller and smaller.

VGR says:

Taxes in Somerville for resident seem reasonable, to me. One town over (Medford) offers no such discount to resident.

Matt says:

VGR, many residents are seeing double digit % increases in taxes year over year due to changes in assessments but not seeing improved or expanded services. (this is including the residential exemption). Reasonable or not when the tax levy is growing faster than inflation I'd hope to see a return on that money.

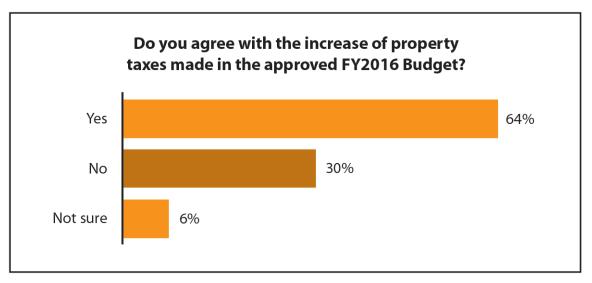
Georgia Withers says:

It seems as though no one can agree on what is fair and when it goes too far. All I can say is thank God I can afford to pay my bills. Including my taxes.

Log onto TheSomervilleTimes.com to leave your own comments

TheSomervilleTimes.com poll of the week

In addition to breaking news, sports and opinion, TheSomervilleTimes.com also features a daily poll in which you, the reader, tell us where you come down on local issues. Last week's poll concerned your views on whether or not you agree with the increase of property taxes made in the approved FY2016 Budget. If you don't agree with the results, simply log onto TheSomervilleTimes.com.





Celebrating Over 100 Years of Service





Home & Renters







Ask us about insurance bundling offers - combine your car and renter's insurance to save \$\$\$

Visit our new website: www.wccins.com





19 College Ave., PO Box 440313 • Davis Sq., Somerville, MA 02144 1-866-625-0781 (TOLL FREE) • Fax 617-625-6460

Somerville senator and locals seek to eliminate sub-minimum wage for tipped workers

By Haley ED Houseman

Tipping may be ingrained in our restaurant culture, but few customers understand the cost of their tips. Few know that the system produces wages that are regularly below the poverty line.

"The median income of tipped workers is \$13,500 and the median hourly wage including tips is \$8.65," according to State Representative Tricia Farley-Bouvier, in a press release regarding new labor legislation. In a bill filed earlier this year, informally known as "One Fair Wage," Representative Farley-Bouvier, with Senator Patricia Jehlen, of Somerville, hope to raise the minimum wage for Massachusetts workers who rely on tips.

The bill, titled "An Act Relative to the Tipped Minimum Wage" (.982/H.1702), would gradually increase the sub-minimum wage for tipped workers in Massachusetts until it reaches parity with the minimum wage.

Says Farley-Bouvier, "We have thousands of workers in Massachusetts' restaurant industry who can't afford to put food on their own tables for themselves and their families because they are living off tips. This is not acceptable."

On Tuesday, June 23, Rep-Farley-Bouvier, alongside Senator Jehlen and Restaurant Opportunities Center of Boston (ROC Boston) held a briefing at the State House on the contents of the bill that drew almost 100 attendees. Various members of the hospitality community, including restaurant workers, owners, and advocates joined in a discussion of the challenged that face the food service industry, such as poverty, inequality, and sexual harassment.

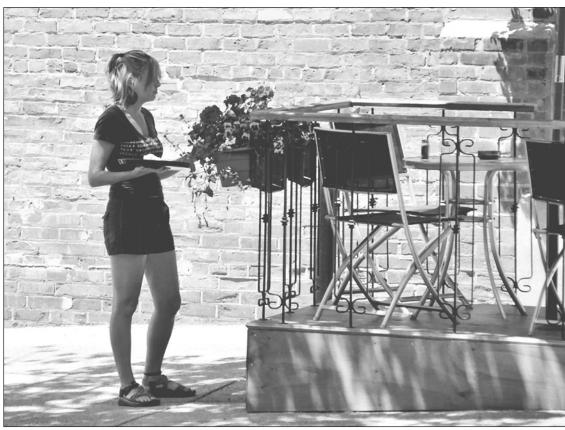
Josh Lewin, co-owner of Bread

bill and participated in the discussion along with his partner Katrina Jazayeri. Lewin notes that Juliet's business model is moving towards a "high road" employment. "We've working to build compensation models for our business that don't require our staff to count on tipping to make up the majority of their income. It is an important part of our business vision and essential for creating good, strong employment opportunities."

"Right now, tipped workers can be paid as little as \$3 per hour by their employers..."

At Bread & Salt, the focus is traditional: hospitality, guest experience, and culinary performance. But it's also concerned with creating a space for building careers and a healthy professional environment that yield good service and well-rounded employees. The hospitality industry is often seen as a second or odd job, the chef explains, but it can be a place to learn transferable skills or earn a viable livelihood. Says Lewin, "I got lucky, but I want to take luck out of the equation as much as I can."

"In passing One Fair Wage, Massachusetts has the opportunity to produce an economic stimulus of over \$1 billion per year, by protecting and ensuring a fair wage for all workers," said Maddie Conway, Research & Policy Organizer, ROC Boston. "It's a common sense effort that works for all. And since 66% of our tipped workers are women, this would not only be a step to-& Salt Hospitality and the up- wards a living wage for all workcoming Union Square restaurant ers, but a step towards pay equi-Juliet, is a vocal supporter of the ty for all women." The bill will be



Tipped workers who are seeking increases to their minimum wage level are being aided in their efforts via the "One Fare Wage" bill championed by State Senator Patricia Jehlen and State Representative Tricia Farley-Bouvier.

heard before the Committee on Labor and Workforce Development in the coming months.

Also represented was The Just Crust of Cambridge, who catered the event. The restaurant opened in 2013 and has its roots in a wage theft lawsuit filed by employees against the former owners, Upper Crust Pizzeria. Such employers are referred to as "high road," prioritizing paying employees a living wage, as well as providing sick time, and benefits to their workers, none of which is standard in the industry. Shannon Liss-Riordan, the workers' attorney, and her husband purchased the Harvard Square location and reincarnated the restaurant with an eye toward stable employment for all.

Liss-Riordan explains, "Right now, tipped workers can be paid as little as \$3 per hour by their employers, and their total pay is dependent on factors largely outside their control. This bill would provide needed protection for some of the lowest paid workers in our economy by guaranteeing them at least full minimum wage."

Echoing the sentiments of Maddie Conway of the ROC Boston, Sen. Jehlen explained that at its heart, tipping is a family issue. "Many tipped workers are working mothers struggling to support their families. It's hard for many people - let alone families - to break even when their financial security depends on getting good shifts and making good tips."

Seven states have already done away with the tipped minimum

wage, including California, and evidence suggests the restaurant industry in these places is thriving. Says Liss-Riordan, "Massachusetts can and should be a leader in protecting employees' rights, but right now it is behind many states by allowing tipped workers to receive such a low wage. Joshua Lewin, for one, is proud to see a representative of Somerville joining the conversation. Says Lewin, "We're happy to see our city take the lead in this conversation."

Hidden Gem — Come See



19 ALAN ROAD, HUDSON, MASS **INCREDIBLE VALUE: 5 MINUTES FROM RT 495 OR RT 117:**

This 9 room 3,400 sq. ft. 4 bedroom -3 bathrooms - on 2.5 acres in one of the best locations and neighborhoods in Hudson...at the top of small hill and the at the end of cul-de-sac. This home is 15 years young and looks brand new...put the key in the door and move in. You will not believe the space, setting and serenity of this home. Featuring granite kitchen, hard wood floors, fireplaces, composite decks, giant master bedroom, finished lower level with in-law potential and mini barn with loft space. COME AND SEE THIS EXTRAORDINARY HOME AT OUR OPEN HOUSE ON SUNDAY, JULY 12, 2015, 12:00 Noon to 2:30 PM. Dir: Hudson Road RT 85 to Bradford Road to Alan Road.

\$629,000

COLONY REAL ESTATE

1258 BROADWAY SOMERVILLE, MA. 617-776-0044

IRS scam alert

An alert from the Somerville Police warns that if you receive a call from someone stating that they are from the "IRS" or the "State of Massachusetts" and they say if you do not pay a certain amount of money today they will send the police to arrest you, it is a scam. They will provide you with certain information regarding your address and or close family members' names. The suspects pay for this information on a website like zabasearch.com. It gives them this information to make them seem legitimate. They use various different numbers including the IRS's TTY number. If you receive a call like this, simply hang up and inform your local police department. You can call their non-emergency line at 617-625-1212 to report it.



By Jim Clark

Chilly exchange with police after blanket theft

Police officers were dispatched to the Pendelton Outlet located at 520 Assembly Row last Friday on reports of a shoplifting.

Upon arrival, officers were briefed by a store employee on what had happened earlier. According to the employee, a man and a woman entered the store and as the man spoke to her as a distraction tactic, the woman went into a changing room with a blanket valued at \$249. The woman reportedly exited the changing room with the blanket concealed under her coat and both she and the man left the store.

The store employee said that she called after them, asking the woman to return the blanket, but instead of returning the man reportedly denied being involved in the matter and they both ran away from the store.

Shortly after taking the report, officers located a couple matching the store employee's description outside the Christmas Tree Store at the Assembly Square Marketplace.

As officers approached the pair, they reportedly attempted to flee. The female suspect got away, but an officer managed to capture the male,

identified as Sean Driscoll, of East Boston.

Driscoll reportedly refused to cooperate with officers in their attempts to identify the female suspect, and gave several different false names for her.

The female suspect was eventually identified by officers, who had prior dealings with her, and was contacted by cell phone and asked to return the

stolen merchandise. She reportedly refused to return and a warrant was subsequently issued for her arrest.

Driscoll was placed under arrest on charges of shoplifting over \$100 by concealing merchandise and on warrant charges of shoplifting over \$100 by asportation, possession of a class B drug, and possession of heroin.

4th of July 'fireworks' eruption on city street

A Somerville Police officer on detail at last week's Fireworks Celebration took notice of two individuals who had reportedly gotten into a heated argument as they were walking down Broadway towards Medford St.

The officer noticed that the man and woman, later identified as Tony Bell, of Malden, and Wendy Breen, were getting louder so he stepped up and asked them to calm down. Instead of diffusing the situation the two began striking one an-

other and a full blown fist fight broke out between them.

Several passers-by noticed the action and a crowd began to form in the immediate vicinity.

Bell and Breen were eventually separated by the officer, with additional backup. Both were placed under arrest and charged with common law affray.

SOMERVILLE

Arrests:

Christopher Silveira, of 23 Foch St., Cambridge, June 29, 4:00 p.m., arrested at 1366 Broadway on charges of assault and battery on a police officer, threat to commit a crime, and resisting arrest.

Jake Silveira, of 107 Bow St., Arlington, June 29, 4:00 p.m., arrested at 1366 Broadway on charges of threat to commit a crime and trespassing.

Cherry St., June 30, 8:16 p.m., arrested at Broadway on a warrant charge of operation of a

motor vehicle with a suspended license.

Joseph Spear, of 114 Highland Ave., July 1, 11:16 a.m., arrested at Highland Ave. on a warrant charge of assault with a dangerous weapon.

Kristen Scali, of 10 Gilman St., July 1, 11:34 a.m., arrested at Highland Ave. on warrant charges of operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license, shoplifting by concealing merchandise, and shoplifting over \$100 by concealing merchandise.

Dexter Dixon, of 3 Stafford

St., Boston, July 2, 6:51 p.m., arrested at 70 Union Sq. on a warrant charge of refusal to provide sample for DNA da-

Tony Bell, of 265 Bryant St., Malden, July 2, 8:23 p.m., arrested at Broadway on a charge of common law affray.

Wendy Breen, of 3 Dartmouth St., July 2, 8:23 p.m., arrested at Broadway on a charge of common law affray.

Jose Miguel-Hernandez, of 85 Central St., July 2, 11:06 p.m., arrested at Fremont St. on a charge of possession of ammunition without a FID card.

Salvador Montesinos, of 28 Forest St., Lynn, July 3, 4:44 p.m., arrested at Albion St. on charges of conspiracy to violate drug law and distribution of a class B drug.

Sean Driscoll, of 23 Marion St. East Boston, July 3, 4:54 p.m., arrested at 520 Assembly Row on a charge of shop-lifting over \$100 by concealing merchandise and on warrant charges of shoplifting over \$100 by asportation, possession of a class B drug, and possession of heroin.

Raymond Dagraca, of 10 Sewall St., July 3, 10:38 p.m., arrested at 292 Broadway on a charge of operation of a motor vehicle under the influence of drugs.

Melvin Posada, of 19 Utah St., East Boston, July 4, 8:25 p.m., arrested at 202 Washington St. on warrant charges of operation of a motor carrier safety violation, operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license, uninsured motor vehicle, number plate violation, and operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended registration.

Controversial fire station location discussed and debated CONT. FROM PG 1

station. "We just so happen to have a piece of property that is located at the exact location we need that will help us deploy more efficiently and effectively. And the land is clear," he said, noting that empty lots costs the city less than built lots.

The plan has formed quickly, the mayor admitted. "A municipality has very little flexibility to move quickly. We can never get a situation like this in that corridor again." The mayor explained that because of high demand for land in the city, the probability of a large parcel becoming available in such a good location is very low. The mayor justified using eminent domain in this case, saying, "If we cannot provide for public safety, I don't know what we can provide for."

Somerville Fire Chief Sulli-

van agrees that 515 Somerville Ave. is a good site. Anticipating increased foot traffic, Sullivan opposes building the station in Union Square itself. "Locking a fire department in Union Square, and having them respond to every call through Union Square, would be a safety hazard." Somerville Fire Local 76 president Thomas Ross also supports the plan, saying, "This location can service things that this department is in dire need of."

Neighbors at the hearing were less enthused about a fire station. "Our avenues, Somerville Ave. or any avenue, they're connectors of our squares," said Matt Joyce, who has lived in Somerville for sixteen years. "The infill of these avenues, those things need to be thought about."

Response time, the time be-

tween a 911 call and firefighters' arrival, is a key metric for deciding the location of a fire station. The mayor said that the city will commission a matrix study, which will determine the ideal place for a fire station based on the amount of time it takes to respond from there. The study will take into account the new development planned across the city.

"We can never get a situation like this in that corridor again"

Many residents doubted that a station on Somerville Ave. would improve response times. Resident Deborah Hughes said, "I believe the fire department's primary mission is quick response times. The primary mission will be compromised by their place on Somerville Ave."

Sylvia Walker was one of several residents who felt that the city has been secretive about the plans for the fire station. "We have been told that everything is going to be with transparency. Well, it wasn't too transparent on this one, because we didn't hear anything."

The mayor said that community participation would come later. "What will this facility look like? We will engage in a robust community-based planning process for this project." He added, "There will be no giant tower to block your view," alluding to another of Save

Spring Hill's concerns.

Ward 4 Alderman Tony Lafuente defended the process. We are just now at the beginning. This is our opportunity, yours and ours." Lafuente reassured the concerned residents that their voices would be heard. "We're listening to you. That's what the process is. We're being very transparent on this board, because we're here. Just because the mayor wants this piece of property does not mean that we're going to give it to him. You as the neighbors have a lot of say in this as far as this board is concerned."

There will be more meetings throughout the summer, the Board of Aldermen will accept or reject the plan for a fire station at 515 Somerville Ave. in the fall.

Fossil fuel divestment not yet realized

By Oliver Bok

"If it's wrong to destroy the planet, it's wrong to profit from the destruction of the planet," Eric Fields said.

Fields is a Tufts graduate student and an organizer of Fossil Free Somerville, a campaign to divest the city's pension fund from oil companies. To him, divestment is the only moral choice.

"Fossil fuel divestment is about taking a stand on what's right and saying we're not going to put our money in these companies that are doing things that are fundamentally at odds with our values as a city and our goals as a city in reducing climate change," he said.

Fossil fuel divestment campaigns have sprung up in cities, states and campuses all over the country, including Tufts University and Massachusetts. Few of these campaigns have attracted the level of political support that Somerville's has. The Board of Aldermen passed a unanimous resolution in support of fossil fuel divestment in June 2014, and Mayor Curtatone has re-



peatedly stated his support for the divestment campaign.

However, the mayor and the Board of Aldermen don't actually control Somerville's investments. Instead, the city's pension fund is managed by the Somerville Retirement Board, a group of five who are partially selected by the mayor and partially elected by the pensioners themselves.

The Board is legally required to get the best return on its investments, and any attempt to hire fund managers who would carry out fossil fuel divestment has to be approved by the State Oversight Board.

But to Fields and Fossil Free Somerville, divestment isn't just the moral choice: it's the financially responsible choice.

"Fossil free funds have done better than traditional funds over the last three, five, seven, and fifteen years," Fields said. "As governments increasingly do things to deal with climate change in the future, fossil fuel investments will continue to be a worse investment, and eventually there may actually be a large market bubble caused by fossil fuel companies being overvalued because they can't realize the full value of all of the deposits they have."

For now, Fossil Fuel Somerville is working with the Retirement Board, giving them information about divestment and building public support in the community.

On Wednesday July 15, Fossil Free Somerville is sponsoring a public gathering of climate activists at the Aeronaut Brewery. Anyone interested in climate change activism is welcome, and members of Somerville Climate Action and Mothers Out Front plan to attend. For more information about Fossil Free Somerville or to sign their petition, visit www.fossilfreesomerville.org.

Youth Pass program **CONT. FROM PG 1**

of gaining education and employment. As Gladys Vega, Executive Director of the Chelsea Collaborative stated in her address at the ceremony, "If there is an option to pay for the regular T pass versus your parents putting food on the table, you choose to put food on the table."

Vega addressed the social issues that face small inner city communities. Without an affordable way to access school and work, positive options are limited

within low-income areas, while gang behavior and drug related options are not. Providing adolescents with means to school and work opportunity should prove beneficial to the city as a whole. Somerville's Mayor Curatone refers to Boston as a region, Advisor Boukili has said, "He feels that if one area is failing, we all feel it."

The year-long pilot program has an estimated cost of \$696,000. After its run, officials will determine the benefits compared to that cost. As of July 1, there are one hundred kids enrolled in the program; the estimated cost is based on two hundred fifty enrollments. The MBTA is ready for larger numbers than that, as they have 1500 spots open for the first year test run. Beyond the amount of people utilizing the program, officials are excited about the next generation seeing the importance of and appreciating public transportation, for the purposes of reducing the city's carbon footprint as well as congestion.

Attempts to implement this program began eight years ago, making the launch a demonstration of the resilience and dedication of Boston's youth. Malden Mayor Gary Christenson ended his speech with a similar sentiment, a quote from Steve Jobs: "Technology is nothing. What's important is that you have a faith in people, that they're basically good and smart, and if you give them tools, they'll do wonderful things with them."

More information, including applications for the program, can be found at mbta.com by clicking the Fares & Gifts tab, and scrolling down to Reduced Fare Programs.

The Somerville Times Historical Fact of the Week



Eagle Feathers #82

The Invitation

By Bob (Monty) Doherty

It began where the Wellington Bridge crosses over the Mystic River, and it ended where the Harvard Bridge crosses over the Charles. It was to be a "day of all days" for the people of Somerville. For weeks in advance, the residents, ranging from age five to one hundred and five, had been preparing for this special day. Red, white, and blue bunting and flags blanketed the city and adorned its public buildings in anticipation. It wasn't that they hadn't had parades before, but the 4th of July observance in 1910 became the city's most boastful. The President of the United States, William Howard Taft, had accepted an invitation from the City of Somerville to visit, to partake, and to preside over its nation's birthday celebration.



The parade eclipsed itself with military and civilian units that year. Security was tight and patriotic enthusiasm was at an all-time peak. Veterans of the Civil War, the China Expedition, and the Spanish American War were marching to honor their special guest. Earlier, the President's limousine and a motorcade with over two dozen automobiles toured the city. Their route began on historic ground on the Somerville side of the Mystic River, which is now

the entrance to Assembly Square. It is also the site of the building of the Blessing of The Bay, New England's first constructed ship and the predecessor to our Navy. Coincidently, Governor Winthrop launched the ship on the 4th of July, 1631. This date's significance would not occur until 145 years later on July 4, 1776.



The presidential party, led by the National Lancers' cavalry in their bright red uniforms, proceeded onto Broadway. From there, the motorcade traveled to the top of Winter Hill where Paul Revere's ride took place, and then on through Magoun and Ball Squares to visit the historic Powder House. It then rolled though Davis Square and the length of Highland Avenue to City Hall. The reviewing stands at Central Hill held hundreds of invited guests and dignitaries such as Governor Draper, Congressman "Sam" McCall, Mayor John Woods and the Somerville Aldermen. Also present was the Mayor of Boston, John F. Fitzgerald, father of Rose Kennedy, and the President's bodyguard, Captain Butt, who would later die a hero on the sinking of the ship, Titanic.

One hundred five years ago this week, Somerville citizens experienced a day to remember. Continued on page 6

Rare Opportunity!



Gorgeous Victorian 4-plex on 2.6 acres. Londonderry NH, \$659,900. Call Jane Costello, 603-275-7777 BH&G/The Masiello Group.

Somerville High School chosen as PSA Project winner

Video explores abuse in teen relationships

By Rebecca Danvers

Somerville High School has been named the winner of the 7th Annual PSA Project hosted by Middlesex District Attorney Marian Ryan and Middlesex Partnerships for Youth, Inc., for an original video highlighting the theme of "I'm Worth More." Somerville High School freshman Karis Morales was the creator of the winning video, titled What Happened to Being a Princess? The video can be viewed on YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=HxfrR9NvWjQ

The goal of "I'm Worth More" is to explore healthy relationships and to focus on the importance of self-respect in dating relationships that will allow teens and young adults to recognize the signs of an unhealthy relationship.

More than 140 students worked on the 49 videos submitted to the annual contest. The winning video premiered on New England Cable News This Morning.

"It has been an incredible experience to see the strong, positive messages portrayed in the videos students submitted," District Attorney Ryan said. "All of the PSA's explored that vital message of 'I'm Worth More.' I am so proud of Karis for creating such



DA Ryan with PSA Project winner Karis Morales and her cousins Yari and Amilia, who appeared in her winning video.

— Photo courtesy of the Middlesex Partnerships for Youth Inc.

a compelling video that I know will have a positive impact on young people."

Other finalists in the 2015 PSA Project were:

International School of Boston, Cambridge: "We're Worth More Than Words"

Melrose High School: "I'm Worth More"

Nashoba Valley Technical High School, Westford: "I'm Worth More"

Somerville High School: "Coming Out"

Entries were viewed and finalists were selected by a panel of school personnel, law enforcement officials, and staff from the Middlesex District

Attorney's Office and Middlesex Partnerships for Youth. The five PSA finalists were shown to more than 3,000 middle and high school students throughout Middlesex County in classrooms and assemblies where students cast their votes to select a winner.

The District Attorney's PSA Project was created with Middlesex Partnerships for Youth, Inc., to spark a dialogue among teens and to include teens in the conversation on issues such as healthy relationships, substance abuse, and impaired driving. To see past winners of the PSA Project, visit www.middlesexpartnershipsforyouth.org.

The Somerville Council on Aging Third in the Foundations of Knowledge Series: When Johnny Comes Marching Home (Again)... Affordable Housing After WWII

Monday, August 24, 9:30 a.m. in the Holland Street Atrium. Featuring MIT Urban Studies and Planning Lecturer Ezra Glenn. As an urban planner and instructor, Mr. Glenn has done extensive research into housing policies in our country. His most recent research examines housing in the United States in the 1940s, in the period right after WWII. In this talk, Glenn will tell us more about what he's learned about what the United States government tried to do to address a national housing crisis, including a policy of national rent control in almost every major city from roughly 1944-1950. Come find out more about what he's learned and how post -war decisions have shaped policy-making since then.



About The Instructor: As an urban planner and lecturer at MIT, Mr. Glenn has conducted historical research into the provision of affordable housing in the US. His most recent project explores national housing policy in the 1940s, in the period right after WWII. In this talk, Glenn will share with us what he's learned about how the Truman administration attempted to address a national housing crisis – including a policy of national rent control in almost every major city – at a time when most of the country was eager to "return to normalcy." Come find out more about what he's learned and how post-war decisions have shaped housing policy since then.

Foundations of Knowledge is an educational program that brings a series of low-cost, themed lectures to you each month. A nominal fee of \$20 will include five, one-hour long lectures. Or, if you prefer to take in a variety of different subjects, each lecture we present costs \$5. For details and information, please contact Janine Lotti at (617) 625-6600, ext. 2300.

Somerville pub summit

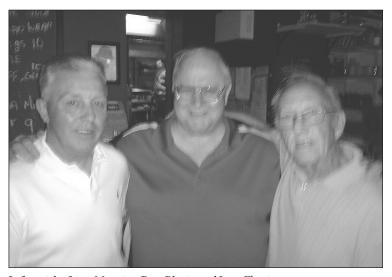
By Donald Norton

At a recent fundraiser, the publisher of the Somerville Times, Ross Blouin, introduced local pub owner Liam Minion, who owns Sally O'Brien's in Union Square, to Jerry Fleming, who owned the first Irish pub here in Somerville back in the late 60's and early 70's, known as the Blarney Stone, which was in the old Woodbridge Inn until it caught fire.

All three enjoyed a conversa-

tion on the difference in pubs today compared to back in the 60's. If anyone is familiar and can remember back, the Blarney Stone was extremely popular with lines out the door and around corner every night. A great place, and live music with some of the best Irish bands of

Liam has owned Sally O'Brien's for a long time and has a busy place with all sorts of entertainment and live bands for everyone.



Left to right: Liam Mannion, Ross Blouin, and Jerry Fleming.

— Photo by Donald Norton

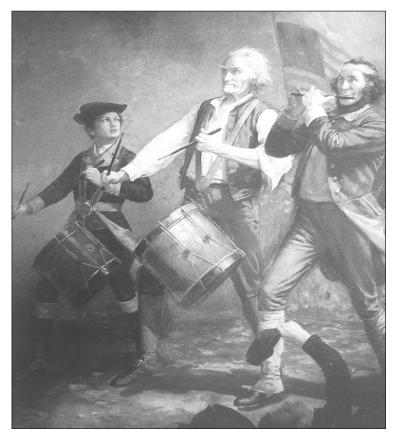
www.somervillema.com www.medfordma.com

Historical Fact CONT. FROM PG 5

To describe it in today's terms, it was their Macy's or Rose Bowl Parade. Two hundred thousand people lined the motor and parade routes throughout the city that day and enjoyed the fireworks that night. That number represents three times the population of the city today. After viewing the parade, the President was treated to another tour of Prospect Hill and

Union Square.

To say that President Taft was impressed with the outpouring of the citizens in the area would be an understatement - so much so that he returned for two more visits to Somerville after his administration had ended. This remarkable man is the only person to have held the office of the presidency and the post of Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.



THE NORTON GROUP

Want to know what your house is worth? Call for a free market analysis 617-623-6600 and ask about our 3% commission program

699 Broadway
Ball Square
Somerville, MA 02144
617-623-6600
www.thenortongroupre.com

US2 and Workbar announces partnership, opening up new office space at Union Square

By Douglas Yu

Elegant Furniture's logo is still hanging high on the building at 31 Union Square, even though the paint has tarnished over the past half year. The furniture store was forced to shut down last fall due to a spike in its monthly rent, local media reported.

In about two months or so, this vacant space will be transformed into a shared community workspace, thanks to the recently established partnership between Workbar and the neighborhood's own master developer – US2, also known as Union Square Station Associates. The partnership was announced on June 16.

US2 was unanimously nominated by Somerville Redevelopment Authority last June to take on the Union Square Redevelopment Project, a project that aims at helping the neighborhood improve its transit and strengthen its infrastructure over the next 20 years.

Union Square doesn't lack dynamic business ambience at all. In fact, before the Green Line Extension kicked off the construction of the new Union Square Station, this area had prospered with residents and visitors coming every day for its diverse retail and restaurants: Mexican grills, Korean restaurants, cocktail bars, the list goes on.

"Workbar will shorten commutes for freelancers, start-ups, and remote employees," Stephen Mackey, President of the Somerville Chamber of Commerce, commented. "Workbar's members and visitors will shop in the storefronts, dine in the restaurants, and help build the daytime street life."

"If you have more people working in Union Square, the daytime population will make boutique retail more viable," Mackey said. "Workbar adds great momentum."

Thirty-one Union Square will be Workbar's third physical location after the office share company opened Boston and Cambridge locations. Devin Cole, Director of Business Development at Workbar told Somerville Times the partnership expanded beyond its physical spaces.

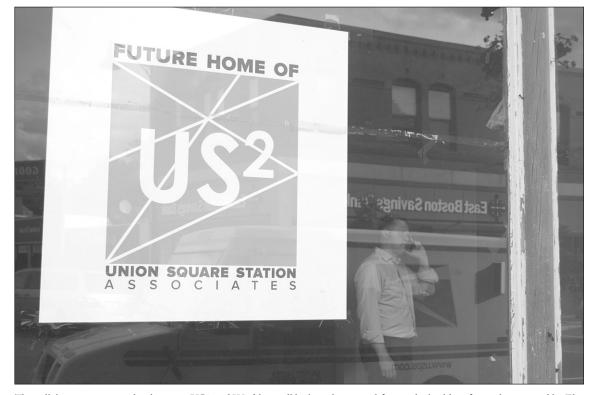
"We have five partners right now, and the network is growing fast," Cole said, citing that the most recent partnership with US2 is part of the company's fast growing network. Cole added that US2 had been part of the Workbar's membership for about six to seven months prior to their partnership.

"They liked the culture and co-working spirit, and they wanted to bring that to Union Square," Cole said.

The new 2,500-square-feet shared space is targeted to open in August. When it opens, it will be divided into, but not limited to, several office areas, bench seats, a small cafeteria, and two conference rooms. Two US2 staff members will be working there, including the company's president, Greg Karczewski, and an as yet to be determined employee. Several other companies will be sharing the new facility with US2 as well.

Cole said the new Workbar space would be smaller than the previous ones, but the company planned on dedicating as much open space to the community as they could. "We think it's more conducive to the community, and people can build up relationships with each other," Cole said.

US2, according to Karczewski, hadn't owned an office



The collaborative partnership between US2 and Workbar will be breathing new life into the building formerly occupied by Elegant Furniture at 31 Union Square. - Photo by Douglas Yu

space entirely by itself in the past. Ever since US2 took on the redevelopment project, the company had been looking at various office spaces around the area before signing the lease of the ground floor at 31 Union Square earlier this year, according to Karczewski.

The other reason US2 established the partnership with Workbar is because the company stood out in regards to their success in connecting members in the community, creating a certain amount of programming, and making a connection between their operation and the neighborhood, Karczewski explained.

The renovation process for the office space hasn't started yet. Right now, there are several columns standing in a row, dividing the ground floor. A few fans, lights and a gas pipe hang on the ceiling, which will be removed once the renovation starts. According to Karczewski, US2 hired a local contractors manager, J.J. Vaccaro Inc. to do the construction.

In addition, US2 also contacted Somerville Arts Council and other organizations within the local art community to create artwork for the walls in the new space.

For people who live in Somerville, especially those long-term native residents, fears of being priced out due to gentrification have been mounting. When asked if Workbar might occupy a space that could have been

used for affordable housing, Mackey replied, "Somerville has so many residents but still the lowest commercial tax base (\$2,577 spent in Somerville per capita during FY15, compared to \$4,180 in Boston and \$4,888 Cambridge) in the urban core."

"Somerville must have a commercial tax base to help pay for public works, public safety and public education in all the neighborhoods," Mackey said. "Somerville needs jobs that reduce commutes. Somerville needs jobs that bring an economic multiplier to the ground level, to the people behind the counters, to the wait staff. Workbar is the right move."

Karczewski refused to disclose the rental price of the facility, and he said that in all likelihood his company might be able to own its own building in 2018 in another location US2 has been interested in, D2 Block at Union Square.

"There is no parking space around here," Karczewski said, yet he didn't think that would be a challenge for Workbar's clients in the future. "I don't think [Workbar's] Cambridge location has parking space associated with it either." Residing in Waltham currently, Karczewski will soon drive to his new office for work as well. As for the parking issue, he said he would figure it out.

Bill Jacobson, Founder & CEO of Workbar, wrote in the press release, "Our partnership with US2 will allow us to extend the

Workbar Network of co-working spaces to Somerville, providing local startups, small businesses and remote professionals the ability to grow their enterprises and collaborate with other entrepreneurs."

Right now, US2 has put up a couple of banners with their orange logos on the window of their future office, ready to bring this neglected building into its next chapter.



14 Broadway Somerville MA

A tradition of fine foods since 1935

Mt. Vernon Catering Catering for all your Special Events From 30 - 1000 guests

Weddings, Clambakes,
Backyard BBQ's, Christenings,
Graduations, Bereavements,
Anniversaries, Bridal & Baby
Showers, Pig Roasts,
Retirement Parties,
Birthday Parties,
Holiday Parties and more!

One call and we can help plan it all! Mention this ad and get 10% off your next event!

Also offering full party rental needs from tables, tents, chairs, linens and more!

We can create a menu to satisfy every taste and budget!

Call 617-800-3089

Email: mtvernonrestaurants@yahoo.com



Beacon Hill Roll Call



Volume 40-Report No. 26 • July 2, 2015 • Copyright © 2015 Beacon Hill Roll Call. All Rights Reserved. By Bob Katzen

Beacon Hill Roll Call can also be viewed on our website at www.thesomervilletimes.com

Our Legislators in the House and Senate for STREAMLINE BUSINESS REGISTRATION Somerville:



Rep. Christine Barber

DISTRICT REPRESENTED: Thirty-fourth Middlesex. - Consisting of all precincts in wards 4 and 5, precinct 1 of ward 7, and precinct 2 of ward 8, of the city of Medford, precincts 1 and 2 of ward 4, and all precincts of ward 7, of the city of Somerville, both in the county of Middlesex.



Rep. Denise Provost

DISTRICT REPRESENTED: Twenty-seventh Middlesex. - Consisting of precinct 3 of ward 2, all precincts of ward 3, precinct 3 of ward 4, and all precincts of wards 5 and 6, of the city of Somerville, in the county of Middlesex.



Rep. Timothy Toomey

DISTRICT REPRESENTED: Twenty-sixth Middlesex. - Consisting of all precincts of ward 1, precinct 1 of ward 2, precincts 1 and 2 of ward 3, and precinct 1 of ward 6, of the city of Cambridge, and all precincts of ward 1 and precincts 1 and 2 of ward 2, of the city of Somerville, both in the county of Middlesex.



Sen. Patricia Jehlen

DISTRICT REPRESENTED: Second Middlesex. - Consisting of the cities of Cambridge, wards 9 to 11, inclusive, Medford and Somerville, and the town of Winchester, precincts 4 to 7, inclusive, in the county of Middlesex.

THE HOUSE AND SENATE: Beacon Hill Roll Call records local senators' votes on roll calls from debate on the \$38.1 billion fiscal 2016 state budget. There were no roll calls in the House or Senate last week.

PROCESS (S 3 - Amendment #363)

Senate 38-1, approved an amendment creating a special commission to study the feasibility of simplifying the process under which new businesses register with the state. The study would focus on improving state agency information sharing capabilities to facilitate the registration process.

Amendment supporters said the study would be the first step toward making Massachusetts more business-friendly and making it easier for businesses to start up in the Bay State.

The lone opponent said he voted against the amendment because it was "duplicative with ongoing regulatory review."

(A "Yes" vote is for the amendment. A "No" vote is against it.)

> Sen. Patricia Jehlen Yes

\$1 MILLION FOR REGIONAL TOURIST COUNCILS (S 3 - Amendment #414)

Senate 39-0, approved an amendment increasing by \$1 million (from \$5 million to \$6 million) funding for regional tourist councils. The Office of Travel and Tourism markets the state as a whole while the regional councils focus on promoting their specific area of the state.

Amendment supporters said the additional \$1 million will generate much more than \$1 million in private revenue for businesses and tax revenue. They noted that tourism is the third largest industry in the state in terms of employment.

(A"Yes" vote is for the \$1 million increase.)

Sen. Patricia Jehlen Yes

MASSACHUSETTS EMERGENCY FOOD AS-SISTANCE PROGRAM (S 3 - Amendment #227)

Senate 39-0, approved an amendment increasing by \$1 million (from \$16 million to \$17 million) funding for the state's Massachusetts Emergency Food Assistance Program. The program, established in 1995, works with food banks across the state to provide food to many citizens who need assistance.

Amendment supporters said this program supplements the other means-tested food assistance programs available in Massachusetts. They argued it will help many residents who fall between the cracks of eligibility of other programs, to obtain a healthy and nutritious meal and ensure their kids do not go to bed hungry.

(A"Yes" vote is for the \$1 million increase.)

Sen. Patricia Jehlen

ALSO UP ON BEACON HILL

MASSHEALTH MUST COVER PSYCHOLO-GISTS (H 1784) - The Committee on Mental Health and Substance Abuse held a hearing on a bill that would require MassHealth to cover the full range of services provided by psychologists just as commercial insurers do. Current law currently limits MassHealth recipients to coverage for only diagnostic testing services performed by a psychologist. MassHealth is the state's Medicaid program that provides health care for qualified low-income and disabled persons.

Supporters said it is unfair not to provide this important service to the many people on MassHealth.

HOME SELLERS MUST PROVIDE ENERGY AUDIT BEFORE SALE (S 1761) - The Committee on Telecommunications and Energy heard testimony on a proposal that would require a seller or his real estate agent to complete and provide potential buyers with an energy assessment audit by the non-profit group Mass Save prior to listing the home for sale. The requirement would apply to condominiums and single-family or multi-family residential houses with fewer than five units.

Supporters said that sellers and buyers should have as much information about a home's energy efficiency or lack of as possible. They noted that Mass Save currently offers free energy efficiency audits but most people don't take advantage of them.

MANDATE ENERGY EFFICIENT HOMES AND BUSINESSES (S 1771) - The Committee on Telecommunications and Energy also took testimony on a measure that would require the state to establish definitions of very energy-efficient residential buildings by January 1, 2017, and commercial buildings by January 1, 2018. The state would then develop a zero net-energy standard that must be met for new residences beginning in January 2020 and for new commercial buildings in January 2030.

Supporters said 90 percent of all our energy still comes from dirty, dangerous and harmful sources and that our buildings use 54 percent of the energy we consume. They argued this bill would help the environment by cleaning up our air, lowering costs for consumers and reducing our dependence on foreign oil.

USE RENT PAYMENTS TO ESTABLISH CRED-

IT (S 697) - The Committee on Housing will hold a hearing on July 14 at 10 a.m. in room B-1 at the Statehouse to hear testimony on legislation that would create a pilot program for affordable housing tenants that allows them to use their monthly rent payments as a way to build their credit.

Supporters say this simple policy will help these tenants build up good credit even though they don't

LEARN HOW TO PREVENT CHILDREN FROM FALLING FROM WINDOWS (H 1132) -

The Housing Committee hearing on July 14 at 10 a.m. in room B-1 will also include a bill that would create a Window Falls Prevention Program.

The program would educate the public about the danger to children, age six years and younger, of falling from windows and the importance of installing window guards in all public housing with children six and under. The Department of Housing and Community Development would also conduct a census to determine the number and location of children under six in public housing and, working with community partners, could provide bars or screens to those units.

Supporters say that this would help prevent these horrible accidents where a child falls out the window and is hurt or even dies.

Beacon Hill Roll Call continued



REBATES FOR BUYING ELECTRIC VEHICLES

(H 2884) - The Committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy held a hearing on legislation that would establish a program providing rebates of up to \$2,500 to consumers who purchase or lease a qualifying electric vehicle.

Supporters said zero-emission electric vehicles reduce oil consumption and improve air quality. They noted the production of electric vehicles and their recharging infrastructure would create thousands of local jobs and stimulate the local and state economy.

QUOTABLE QUOTES

"It is more important than ever that we break down the barriers to patients seeking access to mental health care and substance abuse treatment. In 2015, we should be treating access to mental and behavioral health the same as we treat access to treatment for a heart condition or diabetes." — Attorney General Maura Healey on her report, showing that health care benefits are categorized as either "behavioral health" or "medical," a distinction that she says complicates efforts to better coordinate overall patient needs.

"Studies show that young people who have any amount of money saved in a 529 plan for a higher education are six to seven times more likely to attend a four-year college than those with no savings at all." - Richard Doherty, president of the Association of Independent Colleges and Universities in Massachusetts, urging the Legislature to adopt a tax incentive to promote contributions to a 529 College Savings Plan.

"Though long overdue, it is wonderful that the citizens of Massachusetts will finally get to vote on ending prohibition." — Bay State Repeal member Terry Franklin on his group's work on a 2016 possible ballot question in favor of making recreational marijuana legal.

"Terrifying. I was sure all the representatives would be smarter than I." — Retiring reference librarian Pam Schofield of the state library asked by the State House News Service about her first day on the job 32 years ago.

"We're not going to arrest our way out of the heroin-opiate problem." — State Police Superintendent Tim Alben on the need for drug rehabilitation as part of a multi-prong approach to tackling the heroin-opiate crisis.

Bob Katzen welcomes feedback at bob@beaconhillrollcall.com

Somerville schools benefit from EPA grant

By Rebecca Danvers

Environment science non-profit "e" inc. has received a grant from the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Environment Education Grant Program to expand its After School Planet Protector Teams (Planet Protectors) program. The grant will enable "e" inc. to bring the ASPPT to six added after school sites that have rarely been able to participate in the program, while also expanding the breadth of offerings at six current sites. In all, the ASPPT program will serve up to 540 students from kindergarten to 5th grade in six community centers throughout Somerville, as well as the Roxbury, Dorchester, and South End neighborhoods of Boston.

Planet Protectors is a locally focused program, situated low-income communities in the Greater Boston area. "e" inc. contracts with community centers and local after school programs to provide them with weekly in-depth in-residence after school science-and-action programs that educate urban youngsters about environment

involving them as active "planet protectors." Each site chooses a curriculum topic and each 1.5 hour session comprises an hour of hands-on science activities and half hour lessons in action and civic engagement.

In keeping with the EPA's educational priorities, the Planet Protectors sites can choose from three key topics for the 2015-2016 school year: 1) global climate change and its impact on local neighborhoods and cities; 2) understanding and protecting New England habitats; and 3) ocean and watershed explorers. Students will understand and retain environment science concepts through structured lessons and action projects. The program includes:

Visits to local natural or protected areas such as habitats, nature centers, and sustainability sites to make connections to learning; action projects that will be created and then sustained by three student and staff teams at each after school;

workshops for parents and site staff to help them try new sustainability behaviors at home; children writing, making, and disseminating videos on learning



program; and weekly support from "e" inc. educators on site so that students will continue to be environmental stewards in their after school programs.

According to Dr. Ricky S. Stern, Executive Director of "e" inc., "We launched the ASPPT in 2003 with the goal of engaging low-income students in gaining a passion for science and how science concepts drive the 'systems' of the planet. The program is one of our most successful, and with the EPA grant, involvement to 6,500 urban

children in stewardship and sustainability, create green teams, and then, via workshops, involve site staff more deeply to ensure action sustainability. We are grateful for the EPA's support and we look forward to expanding this important enviro-science initiative."

About "e" inc.

"e" inc. is an award-winning environment science learning and action center that provides indepth science and community science while simultaneously or projects from their time in the all 12 sites will reach and engage children and youth in Metro www.einc-action.org.

Boston. Its mission is to create a new generation of conservation citizens committed to understanding and protecting the environment. Through educational science programs and actual civic involvements, "e" inc. provides children, teens, and adults with a scientific understanding of the Earth's natural resources, biomes, systems, and beings along with the skills needed to protect the planet and live sustainably. For more information, please visit:

THE **NORTON** GROUP

The Norton Group | APARTMENT RENTALS

Medford - 2 Bedrooms - 1 Bath

All modern 2-bedroom apartment, full cabinet kitchen, washer and dryer in basement. Wood floors, open living/dining great space. Central a/c and 1-car off street parking, enclosed rear porch and small patio in back yard. no pets or smokers. Small bedrooms...

great as a one bedroom and office...lots of closets. Available Now! \$2,100

Cambridge - 2 Bedroom - 1 Bath

Harvard Square area. 2 Bedroom 1 Bath Condo for rent. Heat and Hot water included in rent. 4th floor unit. Dishwasher, Disposal. Hardwood floors. Small balcony off living room. In wall A/C in living room. Close walk to Harvard Square. Down the street form Inman Square. Electric Stove. Available Now! \$2,100

The Norton Group | COMMERCIAL RENTALS

Somerville-2,500. Sq ft.

Large ground floor retail/office space available in the heart of Union square. Owner willing to do discuss some upgrading, both interior and exterior. Vacant now great potential for an ongoing business. Available Now! \$6,000

Many others! Visit our website: www.thenortongroupre.com The Norton Group • 699 Broadway, Somerville, MA 02144 • 617-623-6600

COMMENTARY

The views and opinions expressed in the commentaries of The Somerville Times do not necessarily reflect the views and opinions of The Somerville Times, its publishers or staff.

By Joseph A. Curtatone

Love wins. Make no mistake: Years from now, when we look back upon the Supreme Court's ruling that made same-sex marriage legal across our nation, we will wonder how we ever treated our gay and lesbian neighbors as anything less than equal. For a long time, even those that would be our closest allies declared their support for LGBT equality, but did not support civil marriage for gays and lesbians, or offered civil unions as an inadequate substitute. But equality is not possible without civil marriage. It is one of the foundations of our society, reflected in the numerous ways that our federal government recognizes marriage through the more than

Love wins

1,000 benefits, rights and protections that are provided to citizens based on whether they are married. A society that provides full participation and inclusion for our family members, friends, neighbors and citizens cannot exist until civil marriage is a right for all. That day has come.

The Supreme Court rightly took the first step two years ago, when it struck down part of the Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA) so that citizens around the country in samesex marriages would receive the same federal protections as any other married couple. As I said then, we live in a pluralistic society that celebrates the freedom for people to hold varying opinions, but one thing should unite us-that we are treated equally in the eyes of our government, and the principle that our country treats each of us the same: as citizens.

With this most recent ruling, everyone can now make a commitment to the person they love and access all the benefits that all married couples hold. A widow or widower can receive their partner's Social Security benefits. Same-sex spouses have access to federal protections for continued health coverage (CO-BRA) and the Family and Medical Leave Act, and will not have to pay state taxes on gifts and inheritances from their partner, the same way different sex spouses can gift real estate and bank accounts to their spouse. And those who fight to protect our nation can finally have the full benefits of marriage. Federal law meant that even after the DOMA ruling two years ago, veterans in same-sex marriages could not access the same disability compensation, pensions, burial rights and more benefits provided through the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. That denial of benefits to members of our Armed Forces is a stain no more.

Extending benefits to married same-sex couples regardless of which state they live in is obviously important, but the freedom to marry is about more than taxation and federal

benefits. It is about inclusive, stable and strong communities. In Somerville, we know that every issue is connected, and part of creating a strong community is supporting strong family units. Our city and our Commonwealth became stronger 11 years ago when samesex couples could make that commitment to each other. Now our entire country will become stronger because our fellow citizens everywhere can make that commitment.

It's about stronger communities, and a stronger nation. And it's about love—recognizing love, celebrating love and encouraging love. It can't be said any clearer than in Justice Anthony Kennedy's opinion: the hope of gays and lesbians who want to marry is "not to be condemned to live in loneliness, excluded from one of civilization's oldest institutions. They ask for equal dignity in the eyes of the law. The Constitution grants them that right." Love is love. Why should we ever want to stand in its way?

This is an important step for

human rights, but as I noted last month in this space, there is still be work to do even despite the Supreme Court ruling in favor of the freedom to marry. More than half of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender people still live in states where they could lose their job, be denied access to public accommodations, or have their children not protected from discrimination because of who their parents love. Full equality means that members of the LGBT community must have the same rights for medical decisions, adoptions, and workplace protections as any heterosexual person.

The work continues, but today we should pause and celebrate an amazing moment in our country's history. Never let anyone tell you there's no point in trying to change the world for the better. Never let anyone tell you've got to wait another lifetime before the system is ready to do the right thing. No longer is it same-sex marriage. It's just marriage. It's the same. It's equal.

Artificial turf is too risky for our kids and our finances



By William C. Shelton

The U.S. Women's Soccer Team prosecuted a continuously improving campaign during this year's World Cup, clinching the championship in a breathtaking game on Sunday.

News coverage made little mention of a lawsuit that forty players, led by Team USA's highest all-time scorer Abbie Wambach, brought against FIFA last year. Their aim was to avoid the injuries that come from playing on artificial turn, a surface that Men's World Cup teams do not play on.

Ultimately, they dropped the suit due to insufficient time to get a decision. But even before the first game, players began reporting health impacts from practicing on the Canadian venues' artificial turf.

Australian player Michelle Heyman, for example, told her

hometown newspaper about the condition of her feet: "The skin is all ripped off; it's pretty disgusting. It's like walking on hot coals with your skin ripping and slowly cracking, constantly."

The controversy coincides with one in Somerville regarding whether the city should pay \$500,000 to \$800,000 to install artificial turf on a smaller athletic field like Lincoln Park's, and \$1 million on a full-sized field. Similar debates are happening in Medway, Marlborough, Methuen, Marshfield, Winchester, Swampscott, North Attleboro, Pittsfield, Newburyport, and across America.

New York City's Parks Department and Los Angeles' schools have stopped using artificial turf. The California Legislature is considering a prohibition on spending state money to pay for artificial turf fields that use crumb rubber, as most do.

Proponents argue that the inevitable overuse of Somerville's few fields makes artificial turf the logical choice. They believe that over its lifetime it will provide a better playing surface and wear better, at a lower cost.

I'm not someone who becomes

enamored with a product just because it's "natural." I believe that there are applications in which artificial turf is the best choice. But after reviewing evidence presented by the industry, its advocates, and its opponents, I'm persuaded that it's the wrong choice for Somerville.

This is a conversation that we should have as a community, and mine is but one opinion. So I encourage comments from those who favor artificial turf.

The few published scientific papers that have studied whether injuries are more common on third-generation synthetic turf than on natural grass have not found a significant difference. However, in 2010 the NFL's Injury and Safety Panel found a higher incidence of knee and ankle injuries on artificial turf.

And an NFL players survey found that 82% believe playing on artificial turf contributes to more injuries, 89% said that it causes more soreness and fatigue, and 90% said that it's more likely to shorten their careers.

More troubling is the heat island effect. A University of Nevada study found artificial-turf



Crumb rubber sprays when artificial turf is struck with a falling ball, foot, or human.

surface temperatures to be 69°F have found 96 chemicals in arhigher than those of grass and 62°F higher than air temperature, maxing out at 169°F. The highest temperature considered safe for trained athletes is 122°F. Las Vegas' summer is much hotter than Somerville's, but UNLV conducted the study during fall and winter months.

Most troubling are the potential health impacts of 25,000 to 40,000 rubber tires that are ground up and inserted under and between an artificial turf field's plastic fibers. The particles emit gases and spray into the air when struck by a ball or falling body. Players leave the field with crumb rubber in their clothes, shoes, hair, mouths, and noses.

Yale University researchers

tificial turt. Half have never been assessed for toxicity. Of the other half, 20% are "probably carcinogens;" 24%, respiratory irritants; 37%, skin irritants, and 27% eye irritants.

Principal Investigator Professor Gaboury Benoit said, "Not surprisingly, the shredded tires contain a veritable witches brew of toxic substances. It seems irresponsible to market a hazardous waste as a consumer product."

The Synthetic Turf Council has posted 14 studies on its website, offered as proof of its product's safety. But Mount Sinai Hospital's Professor of Pediatrics and Preventative Medicine Dr. Joel Forman explains that "None of Continued on page 20

COMMENTARY

SIGNS OF THE TIMES

Illustrated by Jim Clark



Our View Of The Times

It's officially summer now.



What is more delicious to the young mind than that savory and unrivaled treat, summer vacation? A well-deserved reward for all the hard work and irreplaceable time invested in the previous school year.

As adults, we can look back fondly on those golden days with a warm sense of nostalgia and a longing to return to the carefree days that linger now only in our memories. And yet, we can live those times again vicariously as we engage with the present younger generation who will be making its own special memories.

Parents need to take as much time as they can to help make the summer break special and meaningful for their kids. Planning and taking a family vacation, even a simple weekend camping trip, can forge stronger bonds and create everlasting memories that could never be bought or traded with gadgets, games, or videos. Simple day-today family activities are valuable, too, in making vacation time a rich and rewarding experience for all.

Likewise, we should encourage our youngsters to seek out those activities, on their own, that keep them engaged and active. Whether it is sports, arts activities,

taking up a new hobby, or any number of other options that kids are able to enjoy. They should be made aware of how precious this time is and urged to make the most of it.

It may be nearly impossible to convince them of how important this is, but it is still our duty to try to do so nonetheless. They will, without question, thank us for it in the years to come later.

Newstalk CONT. FROM PG 2

after sunset in Seven Hills Park in Davis Hill. For a complete list of movies check out https://www.facebook.com/SomervilleCity.

Join Groundwork Somerville for their Cleaning & Greening event on their South Street Farm on July 9 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. This is will be their first market harvest of the season for their mobile market and a much needed maintenance day for their farm. Come join Groundwork Somerville and the Urban Agriculture Ambassadors for this special Cleaning & Greening event. Go to http://www.groundworksomerville.org for more information.

Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone and Ward 2 Alderman Maryann Heuston invite all interested community members to a public meeting to share a vision for the former Waste Transfer Station on Polar St., near Brickbottom. City representatives will present schematic drawings and a vision based on prior meetings with neighbors and stakeholders. The meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 8, from 6:30 to 8 p.m., at the Argenziano School, 290 Washington St. All are welcome. For more information, contact the Somerville Arts Council at 617-625-

6600 ext. 2985.

East Branch's Summer Reading Program, Every Hero Has a Story/UN-MASK! begins today. Kids preK-entering grade 12 are invited to join. Receive a logbook, bag of treats and more when you sign-up. Each week participants check-in with their logbook they will earn a prize, so don't wait to join. Their kickoff event, Wild Heroes, takes place today, July 8 at 2:00 p.m. The SRP concludes Thursday, August 20.

The Americana Mondays 2-Year anniversary party will be taking place at Union Square's premier dive bar, PA's Lounge, on July 13. The band will be Michael Bean on pedal steel and Dobro, Diane Cline on fiddle and Paul Chase on bass. Guests are likely to show up. It starts at 8:00 p.m. and there is no cover charge.

Mini Cheesecakes, flavored dark chocolate ganache, chocolate chip cookies, rich, velvety espresso drinks, tangy, refreshing lemon- and limeades. Finally, 7ate9 Bakery has a storefront and is ready to celebrate by showing off their new home. On Saturday, July 11, 7ate9 Bakery will celebrate their

grand opening at 199C Highland Ave. in Somerville from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Most people will recognize 7ate9's mini cheesecakes from local farmers markets. For the past four years, while working out of another bakery in Winchester, 7ate9 Bakery had been serving their cheesecake to Cambridge, Somerville and the greater Boston community through local deliveries and participation in summer and winter markets.

State Representative Christine Barber has announced that the Middlesex Sheriff's Office (MSO) is seeking candidates interested in becoming correction officers at the Middlesex House of Correction and Jail in Billerica. The MSO will offer a Correction Officer Entrance Exam on Saturday, July 18, 2015. Registration for the exam is currently open. Candidates will be required to complete a twelve week MSO basic training academy. Bachelor's degree and prior law enforcement/security experience is preferred. Candidates must apply for the exam by Monday, July 13, at 5:00 p.m. For more information and for a full list of qualifications, go to www.middlesexsheriff.org/Employment.

Introduction to Plant Diseases is the topic at the July meeting of the Somerville Garden Club, tonight, July 8, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., at the Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland Street, Somerville. If moldy leaves and shriveled fruit are a problem in your garden, come to this free lecture by Jennifer Clifford, Plant Pathologist teaching at Boston College. Her program will include a brief history of plant diseases, the basic concept of how disease evolved, and common diseases of the home garden plants, fruit crops, and vegetables. Meetings are on the second floor, wheelchair accessible. Parking is available on site and the building is a short walk from the Davis Square T station. To learn more, visit somervillegardenclub.org.

Somerville String Camp will be held at the Kennedy School, July 13-24, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:10 p.m. String Camp is open to violin, viola, cello and bass players of all ages, including beginners aged 7 and older. Tuition for the 2-week camp is \$110 for Somerville residents; \$120 for non-residents. For enquiries, email joannesadler@rocketmail.com. Download an application at www.somerville. k12.ma.us/music_camps.

Annual Fireworks Celebration

Last Thursday, July 2, the city held its annual Fireworks Celebration at Trum Field. Live entertainment included performances by the Somerville Sunsetters, local Disco-Funk band Booty Vortex, the USO Metropolitan New York Performers, the Boston Windjammers, and "Somerville Idol," Tammy Rego, all leading up to a 30-minute fireworks display at approximately 9:15 p.m.

































Photos by Claudia Ferro







SPORTS

Stay healthy this summer with Somerville PEP

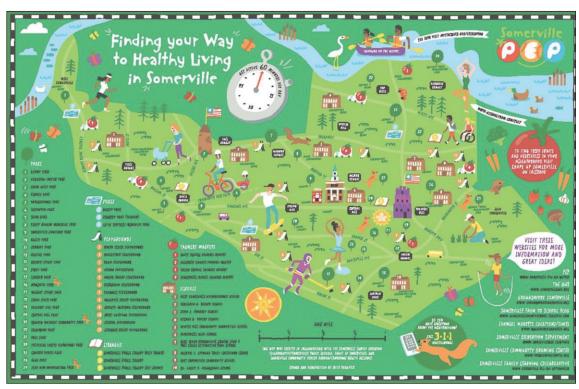
By Tom Bannister

The Somerville Physical Education Program (PEP) has been promoting a healthy culture throughout the year, working across the city with youth and community partners.

The U.S. Department of Education's Carol M. White Physical Education Program (PEP) Grant, is a federally funded grant program designed to award money to local education agencies and community-based organizations to help them initiate, expand, or enhance physical education programs for students in grades K through 12. Somerville was awarded nearly \$1.4 million in grant funds over three years.

The goals of the program (PEP) grant are to foster healthy eating habits and increase physical activity for all Somerville students, with a particular focus on Kindergarten through grade 8, and to work with community partners to improve overall health and fitness across Somerville.

The program provides grants to LEAs and community-based organizations (CBOs) to initiate, expand, or enhance physical education programs, including after-school programs, for students in kindergarten through 12th grade. Grant recipients must implement programs that help students make progress toward meeting state standards.



The Somerville PEP "Healthy Living in Somerville" map, available for a close-up view at www.somerville.k12.ma.us/pep.



Ms. Cam's

Olio - (noun) A miscellaneous mixture, hodgepodge

#482

- How many towns are in Barnstable County, Cape Cod?
- 2. Which country is Europe's largest silk producer?
- 3. Which prince is Queen Elizabeth II's youngest son?
- 4. At whose concert were 11 people trampled to death in Ohio in 1979?
- 5. What was Felix the Cat's girlfriend's name?
- 6. Clark Gable was making what movie when he died?
- 7. What is the name of

Kurt Cobain's daughter?

- 8. What was the original title of the first Harry Potter book before it was replaced by *Harry Potter* and the Sorcerer's Stone?
- 9. In which city were Rotary Clubs set up in 1905?
- 10. What was Prince's last No. 1 of the 80s?
- 11. What did Carlton Magee invent in the US for motorists?
- 12. In which theater did The Wizard of Oz have its New York debut?

Answers on page 23

ork debut?

To advertise in

The Somerville Times

call

Bobbie Toner: 617-666-4010

Somerville PEP initiatives and activities include:

SchoolCenter Picture Increasing Physical Activity for Kids

SPARK (Sports, Play, and Active Recreation for Kids): A researched physical education program implemented in all K-8 schools as well as in school based afterschool programs and three community based afterschool programs.

BOKS (Build Our Kids' Success): A before school physical activity program introduced at the Argenziano and Winter Hill K-8 Schools during the 2014-2015 school year, which will be expanded to additional schools during the 2015-2016 school year.

Community Adventure Programming: Parkour classes, rock

climbing programs at Metro Rock, kayaking with Waypoint, and Appalachian Mountain Club Youth Opportunity Programs were expanded and will continue to be expanded in collaboration with Community Schools afterschool program, the Somerville Recreation Department, and Somerville Boys and Girls Club.

Supporting Healthy Eating Habits

National Nutrition Month Celebration: Taste tests and healthy eating demos offered during the month of March in collaboration with the Somerville Food and Nutrition Services Department and the UMass Extension Nutrition Education Program as well as our PEP Grant's community partners. Read more about Somerville's National Nutrition Month Celebration events in the Somerville Farm to School blog. School Garden Activities Seeding and sowing projects through Somerville Farm to School.

Healthy Bodies, Healthy Minds: Community-wide physical activity & healthy eating family workshops, offered in collaboration with the Somerville Family Learning Collaborative and Community Schools.

Let's Get Cooking: An afterschool cooking club offered at two schools in collaboration with the Somerville Community Schools afterschool program.

More information on PEP and its programs can be obtained at www.somerville.k12.ma.us/pep.

Kennedy Pool Summer Family Swim Info:

Family Swim is in the small heated pool that ranges from 2 feet 6 inches to 4 feet. This pool is a great size and temperature for even the youngest swimmers. Children 6 years old and younger must have a parent in the water with them at all times. Employees have the right to request proof of age in the form of a birth certificate. Children ages 7 to 13 must have a parent or guardian with them in the facility watching them. Parents cannot drop off their children and cannot swim laps while their children are doing family swim.

Family Swim times are as follows:

Monday-Friday: 12:15-3:30pm; Monday-Thursday: 6:15-7:30 pm Family Swim costs for Somerville Residents:

Child (0-17): \$1.00; Adult (over 18): \$3.00; Senior (over 60): \$2.00 Family swim costs for Non-Somerville Residents:

Child (0-17): \$2.00; Adult (over 18): \$4.00; Senior (over 60): \$3.00 Summer passes are also available for frequent family swimmers: Family (2 adults + 2 children) + \$10 for each additional child

Non-Somerville Residents: \$90

Somerville Residents: \$75



Free Summer Meals for Somerville youth



By Rebecca Danvers

School's out, but that doesn't mean an end to the fresh, delicious and nutritious food offered by the Somerville Food and Nutrition Services Department. Even better, Summer Meals are free to all Somerville youth ages 18 and under. Just stop by one of the Summer Meals sites listed below to enjoy a free breakfast and/or lunch

throughout the summer.

Families can locate the meals site nearest to home and make lunch there a fun, daily excursion. Or drop in at the site you happen to be nearest to that day.

Children and teens might spot the colorful Somerville Food and Nutrition Services truck at the park, take a break from the sun and refuel with a meal in the shade.

Visit the following Somerville parks for breakfast starting July 6, 2015:

Foss Park Pool: 10:30-10:45am, Mondays through Fridays (July 6 – August 21, 2015) KidStop @ Powderhouse Park: 9:30-10:00am, Mondays through Thursdays (July 6 – August 14, 2015)

Free lunch at the following locations, on the dates and at the times noted:

Argenziano School Playground: 11:45am-12:15pm (Mondays through Friday from July 13 through July 24, 2015)

Blessing of the Bay Boat House: 11:25-11:55am (Mondays through Fridays from July 6 through August 21, 2015)

Dilboy Pool: 12:15-12:30pm (Mondays through Fridays from July 6 through August 21, 2015)

East Somerville Community School Playground: 11:45am-12:15pm (Mondays through Fridays from August 3 through August 7, 2015)

Foss Park: 11:45am-12:15pm (Mondays through Fridays from July 27 through July 31, 2015)

Foss Park Pool: 12:05-12:30pm (Mondays through Fridays from July 6 through August 21, 2015)

Hodgkins Park: 11:45am-12:15pm (Mondays through Fridays from July 6 through July 10, 2015)

Kennedy School Playground: 11:45am-12:15pm (Mondays through Fridays from August 10 through August 14, 2015)

Mystic Housing & Playground: 11:00am-11:15am (Mondays through Fridays from July 6 through August 21, 2015)

Walnut Street Playground: 11:30-11:45am (Mondays through Fridays from July 6 through August 14, 2015)



What's on Somerville Neighborhood News

Here is one featured segment from the latest Somerville Neighborhood Newscast. Somerville By Design held an Open House last week to present the latest design considerations for the redevelopment of Union Square. The meeting drew close to a hundred residents and activists to hear about the plans for Lots D-1 through D-7 in the heart of Union Square. George Proakis, Director of Strategic Planning and Community Development for the city introduced the presenters.



Russ Preston, Design Director for the Principal Group shared renderings of mixeduse streetscapes, discussed height and bulk considerations for new building and parking options being considered. The emphasis was on the relationship between development, livable streets and maintaining a human scale.

Carson Bise of TischlerBise offered a financial analysis of the projected redevelopment. In all of the scenarios presented there were significant economic gains projected for the city over 20 years. Whether the costs of road and infrastructure improvements should be charged to the project or considered part of the city's budget is still up for discussion.

According to several attendees the overall amount of information led to some and raised more questions than answers.

Smaller topical meetings are planned throughout the summer. Somerville By Design is working to release a draft plan out in the fall and hopes to have a final plan out to the neighborhood for comment by mid-winter.

For other SNN segments visit our website at www.somervilleneighborhoodnews.org or watch the newscasts Tuesdays at 7 p.m. on SCATV Ch.3.

ATTENTION HOME BUYERS

For your home buying process contact us today, talk to an experienced Buyers Agent who will represent your interest and guide you through the buying process. We make the process of home buying easy.

Contact us today or register for free on www.nortongroupre.com

And for buying a home through the Norton Group receive a FREE Home Warranty for the first year in your new home as a thank you.



LEGAL NOTICES

Legal Notices can also be viewed on our Web site at www.thesomervilletimes.com



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS OFFICE OF STRATEGIC PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT JOSEPH A. CURTATONE

MICHAEL F. GLAVIN **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

PLANNING DIVISION

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing for all interested parties will be held by the Zoning Board of Appeals on Wednesday, July 15, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in the Aldermanic Chambers, 2nd Floor, Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA.

84-90 Washington St: (Case #ZBA 2015-37) Applicant and Owner, Cobble Hill Center LLC, seeks a time extension SZO §5.3.10 for Variances under SZO §8.5.F for height and for parking relief SZO §9.5.1.a. This is part of a previous Special Permit approval for a 159 unit building with first floor retail. BB zone. Ward 1.

198 Central St: (Case #ZBA 2015-34) Applicant and Owner, Dean Casassa, seeks a dimensional Variance under SZO §8.5 for an additional story in height and a Special Permit to alter a nonconforming structure under SZO §4.4 to expand a nonconforming FAR. RA zone. Ward 5.

27 William St: (Case #ZBA 2015-35) Applicant and Owners, Elizabeth Pinksy and Sara Cable, seek a Special Permit per SZO 4.4 to modify a rear egress and front porch within setbacks. RA zone. Ward 6.

377 Summer St. (Case #ZBA 2015-27) Applicants, Christos Poutahidis & Kyriakos Kouzoukas, and Owner, Christos Poutahidis, seek a Special Permit to establish an approx 3,000 sf fast order food establishment, a donut shop, with indoor and outdoor seating under SZO sec 7.11.10.2.2.b and a parking variance sec 9.5. CBD zone. Ward 6.

906-908 Broadway: (Case #ZBA 2015-32) Applicant & Owner, Siyuan He, seeks a Special Permit under SZO §4.4.1 to alter a nonconforming 2-family house to add an approximately 2,000 sf addition. RA zone. Ward 6.

82 Highland Ave: (Case #ZBA 2014-16-R1-6/2015) Applicant, LaRosa Development Corporation, and Owner, Highland Avenue Realty Trust, seek a revision to Special Permit ZBA 2014-16 under SZO \$5.3.8 to add rear decks. The original approval was to substantially alter the nonconforming structure to build a structure with 6 residential units. Approval also included a variance for 3 parking spaces. Zone RC. Ward 3.

26 Ibbetson St: (Case #ZBA 2015-33) Applicants, Mark Richardson & Joan Bunker, & Owner, Joan Bunker, seek a Special Permit under SZO §4.4.1 to alter a nonconforming 3-family structure to add an approximately 430 sf addition. RB zone. Ward 3.

56 Line St: (Case #ZBA 2015-36) Applicant & Owner, Eamon Fee, seeks a Special Permit under SZO §4.4.1 to substantially alter a nonconforming single-family house to construct a 3-family add an approximately 2,000 sf addition. RA zone. Ward 6.

260 Elm St: (Case #ZBA 2015-38) Applicant, Xue Zhen Cao, & Owner, Urban Equity Development, seek a Special Permit to provide parking for a restaurant on a separate lot and for shared parking at 55 Day St. CBD zone. Ward 6.

259 Willow Ave: (Case #ZBA 2015-41) Applicant, KTA Construction, LLC, and Owner, KTA Construction, seek a Special Permit to alter a nonconforming two-family to add living space in the basement. RA zone. Ward 5.

Copies of these applications are available for review in the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development, located on the third floor of City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA, Mon-Wed, 8:30 am-4:30 pm; Thurs, 8:30 am-7:30 pm; and Fri, 8:30 am-12:30 pm; and at www.somervillema.gov/planningandzoning. As cases may be continued to later dates, please check the agenda on the City's website or call before attending. Continued cases will not be re-advertised. Interested persons may provide comments to the Zoning Board of Appeals at the hearing or by submitting written comments by mail to OSPCD, Planning Division, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA 02143; by fax to 617-625-0722; or by email to dpereira@somervillema.gov.

Somerville

Attest: Dawn Pereira, Administrative Assistant

As published in The Somerville Times on 7/1/15 & 7/8/15.

7/1/15. 7/8/15 The Somerville Times

CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS OFFICE OF STRATEGIC PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT JOSEPH A. CURTATONE MAYOR

MICHAEL F. GLAVIN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

The Somerville Historic Preservation Commission (SHPC) shall hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, July 21, 2015 at 6:40 p.m. in the Third Floor Community Room, at the Visiting Nurses Association (259 Lowell Street) regarding the proposal by Applicant; Cindy He, to demolish the c. 1874 workers cottage at 23 Cleveland Street.

tion by the SHPC that under the City of Somerville Zoning Ordinance Section 7-28b(2), the structure is considered "Significant." Public testimony followed by discussion and a vote by the Commission will be taken regarding if the building should be "Preferably Preserved." For further information, please contact (617) 625-6600 x 2500 or <u>historic@somervillema.gov</u>.

7/1/15, 7/8/15 The Somerville Times

A hearing to all persons interested will be given by the Somerville Licensing Commission on Monday July 20, 2015 at the Senior Center, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at 6:00PM on the application of 99 Restaurants of Boston, LLC d/b/a 99 Restaurant & Pub, for an Entertainment License consisting of Entertainment by Performers at 20 Cummings St., Somerville, MA

> For the Commission Andrew Upton Vito Vaccaro John J. McKenna

Attest: Jenneen Pagliaro **Executive Secretary**

7/8/15 The Somerville Times

A hearing to all persons interested will be given by the Somerville Licensing Commission on Monday July 20, 2015 at the Senior Center, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at 6:00PM on the application of Somerville Brewing Company Inc., for an Entertainment License consisting of Entertainment by Performers at 15 Ward St., Somerville, MA

> For the Commission Andrew Upton Vito Vaccaro John J. McKenna

Attest: Jenneen Pagliaro **Executive Secretary**

7/8/15 The Somerville Times

A hearing to all persons interested will be given by the Somerville Licensing Commission on Monday July 20, 2015 at the Senior Center, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at 6:00PM on the application of S&H Coffee Company, Inc d/b/a Nine Bar Espresso, for an Entertainment License consisting of Entertainment by Devices at 11 Holland St., Somerville, MA

> For the Commission Andrew Upton Vito Vaccaro John J. McKenna

Attest: Jenneen Pagliaro Executive Secretary

7/8/15 The Somerville Times

A hearing to all persons interested will be given by the Somerville Licensing Commission on Monday July 20, 2015 at the Senior Center, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at 6:00PM on the application of Taco Party LLC, for an Entertainment License consisting of Entertainment by Devices at 711 Broadway, Somerville, MA

> For the Commission Andrew Upton Vito Vaccaro John J. McKenna

Attest: Jenneen Pagliaro Executive Secretary

7/8/15 The Somerville Times

TO PLACE LEGAL ADVERTISMENTS IN THE SOMERVILLE TIMES, CONTACT US BY 12 PM MONDAY PH: 617.666.4010 • FAX: 617.628.0422



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS OFFICE OF STRATEGIC PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT JOSEPH A. CURTATONE MAYOR

MICHAEL F. GLAVIN **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

PLANNING DIVISION

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing for all interested parties will be held by the Planning Board on Thursday, July 16, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in the Aldermanic Chambers on the Second Floor of Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue,

400-499 Assembly Row (Block 5): (Case #PB 2014-34-R1-5/2015) Applicant and Owner, SRI Assembly Row B5, LLC, seek a revision to Special Permit with Site Plan Review-A #PB2014-34 under SZO \$5.3.8 in order to increase the number of residential units to 134, retail space to approx. 22,000 sf, parking spaces to approx. 216, increase height of tower and rear massing, and a Special Permit to modify parking space dimensions under SZO §9.13.b. The original permit was for final level approval of "Block 5" (identified as MBL 85-A-12) of the Planned Unit Development Preliminary Master Plan (PUD-PMP) approved by the Planning Board on December 14, 2006 and as revised on August 5, 2010 and June 19, 2014. Applicant and owner received approval under SZO Article §16.8.3 and §5.2 to construct a mixed-use building with approx. 20,000 sf retail/restaurant space, 104 residential units, 155 hotel units and approx. 181 parking spaces. The uses include those approved in the PUD-PMP. The residential development is subject to inclusionary housing requirements.

The Applicant and Owner also received waivers (S.Z.O. §6.4.12 & 16.5.5) for fewer loading spaces than required under \$9.16.3 and \$9.7, submission of a landscape and screening plan under §5.3.2.10, and from regulations of forthcoming zoning amendments as permitted by §16.10.2 of the SZO.

Assembly Square Mixed Use District (ASMD); Planned Unit Development Overlay District - A (PUD-A) / Ward 1

31-33 Union Square: (Case #PB 2015-09) Applicant, J.J. Vaccaro, Inc., & Owner, Tribeca Management, seek a Special Permit under SZO 6.1.22.D.5.a. to alter the façade and stall signage. CCD55 zone. Ward 2.

Copies of these applications and amendments are available for review in the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development, located on the third floor of City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA, Mon-Wed, 8:30 am-4:30 pm; Thurs, 8:30 am-7:30 pm; and Fri, 8:30 am-12:30 pm; and at www.somervillema.gov/planningandzoning. As cases may be continued to later dates, please check the agenda on the City's website or call before attending. Continued cases will not be re-advertised. Interested persons may provide comments to the Planning Board at the hearing or by submitting written comments by mail to OSPCD, Planning Division, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA 02143; by fax to 617-625-0722; or by email to planning@somervillema.gov.

Attest: Kevin Prior, Chairman To be published in The Somerville Times on 7/1/15 & 7/8/15.

7/1/15, 7/8/15 The Somerville Times



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS OFFICE OF STRATEGIC PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT JOSEPH A. CURTATONE MAYOR

MICHAEL F. GLAVIN **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

PLANNING DIVISION

LEGAL NOTICE OF PURING HEARING

A joint public hearing for all interested parties will be held by the Planning Board and the Board of Aldermen Land Use Committee on Thursday, August 6, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in the Aldermanic Chambers on the Second Floor of Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA. The purpose of the hearing will be to receive public comments concerning

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SOMERVILLE ZONING OR-DINANCE, SECTION 7.15 MEDICAL MARIJUANA TREATMENT **FACILITIES**

Copies of the ordinance are available for review in the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development, located on the third floor of City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA, Mon-Wed, 8:30 am-4:30 pm; Thurs, 8:30 am-7:30 pm; and Fri, 8:30 am-12:30 pm; and at www.somervillema.gov/planningandzoning. As cases may be continued to later dates, please check the agenda on the City's website or call before attending. Continued cases will not be re-advertised. Interested persons may provide comments to the Zoning Board of Appeals at the hearing or by submitting written comments by mail to OSPCD, Planning Division, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA 02143; by fax to 617-625-0722; or by email to planning@somervillema.gov.

Kevin Prior, Chairman, Somerville Planning Board Dennis Sullivan, Chair, Board of Aldermen Land Use Committee

As published in The Somerville Times on 7/8/15 and 7/15/15

7/8/15 The Somerville Times

LEGAL NOTICES

A hearing to all persons interested will be given by the **Somerville Licensing Commission** on **Monday July 20, 2015** at the Senior Center, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at <u>6:00PM</u> on the application of Outback Steakhouse of Florida, LLC d/b/A Outback Steakhouse, for an Entertainment License consisting of Entertainment by Devices at 625 Grand Union Blvd, Space 120, Somerville, MA

For the Commission Andrew Upton Vito Vaccaro John J. McKenna

Attest: Jenneen Pagliaro
Executive Secretary

7/8/15 The Somerville Times

Somerville Mobile Farmers' Market coming this month

The Somerville Mobile Farmers' Market, with the mission of bringing weekly produce markets to underserved areas of the city, is entering its fifth year. A critical feature of this market is a matching program which doubles the purchasing power of low-income residents in the city to make fresh, healthy food affordable. To help supplement the grant money given to us by Project Bread and Whole Foods, they are holding a fundraiser and a kick-off market in partnership with Groundwork Somerville, whose Green Team Youth program grows food for sale at the Mobile Market. Come join others who care about healthy food and bring a shopping bag because while you are there, you can buy some delicious some produce from the Green Team. At Aeronaut Brewery, Friday, July 10 from 5-8:00 p.m.

SENIOR CENTER HAPPENINGS:

Welcome to our centers. Everyone 55+ is encouraged to join us for fitness, culture, films, lunch and Bingo. Our centers are open to everyone from Somerville and surrounding communities. Check out our calendar and give a call with any questions or to make a reservation. 617-625-6600 ext. 2300. Stay for lunch and receive free transportation.

All clubs and groups welcome new members.

Holland Street: 167 Holland Street Monday through Friday 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. 617-625-6600 Ext. 2300

Cross Street Center: 165 Broadway Tuesday & Wednesday 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

(617) 625-6600 Ext. 2335

Ralph and Jenny Center: 9 New Washington Street, Monday through Thursday 8:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. (617) 666-5223.

The Farmers Market is back – starting Friday, July 10th and running through Friday, October 30th. The Mobile Farmers Market will be at the Holland Street Center every Friday from 11:00 A.M. to 12:30 P.M. The Somerville Mobile Farmers Market sells fresh, local and reasonably priced produce. Anyone using SNAP or WIC receives a 50% discount. Cash, credit, debt & farmers market coupons accepted.

Foundations of Knowledge Lecture Series – If you haven't attended one of these lectures you just don't know what you are missing. The next one is scheduled for August and the title of the lecture is, "When Johnny Comes Marching Home (Again)...Affordable Housing After WWII." The Foundations of Knowledge Lecture Series is an educational program that brings a series of low-cost, themed lectures to you each month. A nominal fee of \$20. will include five, one-hour long lectures in any one subject area. Or, if you prefer to take in a variety of different subjects, each lecture we present costs \$5. If you do attend the three (3) lectures in the same subject area you will receive a "Foundations of Knowledge Subject Matter" Certificate. Attend all lectures and receive a "Foundation of Knowledge Humanities Aficionado" Certificate. Series themes include, but not limited to: Art & Art History, The Many Voices of Music and American Literature. Please contact Janine Lottie at 617-625-6600 ext. 2300 for more details and to sign up for these wonderful lectures.

Summer Fun Fridays – Museum and Cultural outings on the following Fridays – July 17 – The Anderson Auto Museum / July 24th – The Fruitlands Museum / July 31st – Institute of Comtemporary Art / August 14th – John F. Kennedy Library and Museum / August 28th – The Griffin Museum of Photography. All trips depart from our Holland Street Center at 9:00 A.M. Trip prices will vary depending upon mode of transportation. Lunch is always on your own and at your own expense. Space is extremely limited so please call Janine Lotti at 617-625-6600 ext. 2300 to reserve your spot.

Caregiver & Respite Services – Tuesday, July 21 – 6:00 – 7:00 P.M. at our Holland Street Center – This is the last in a 4 part series on "Caregiver Education" – This will explain the nuances of caregiver and respite care services presented by Somerville-Cambridge Elder Services. Guest speaker Colleen Morrissey - to register for this event please call 617-625-6600 ext. 2300.

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

The WHYC lunch scheduled for July 16 is SOLD OUT. The trip to the Lowell Spinners scheduled on August 26 is SOLD OUT.

Please note our Cross Street Center is now open Tuesday

through Thursday from 8:30 A.M. to 2:30 P.M. and the events are listed in the "UPCOMING SCHEDULE."

LGBT EVENTS:

LGBT Advisory Group – Monday, July 13 – 4:30 P.M. at our Holland Street Center. We are looking for new members and would love to have you as part of our group. This group meets the 2nd Monday of every month excluding City Holidays and snow emergencies.

LGBT Monthly Lunch – Monday, July 13 – 11:30 A.M. at our Holland Street Center. More information to follow. This lunch happens the 2nd Monday of every month excluding City Holidays and snow emergencies.

LGBT Dinner & Movie Night – Monday, July 20 – 5:30 P.M. at our Holland Street Center. This event happens the 3rd Monday of every month excluding City Holidays and snow emergencies.

LBT Women Fit-4-Life - Fitness and Nutrition Classes. Classes are Tuesday and Thursday evenings starting at 6:00 P.M. \$10 a month fee - scholarships available & it just might be covered under your insurance. We have available slots and would love to have you. If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact our Health & Wellness Coordinator, Chris Kowaleski at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2300.

STAY ACTIVE:

Walking & Talking Group – Starting on Monday, May 4th at 8:30 A.M. – out of our Holland Street Center. We'll take a gentle 30 minute walk around the community every Monday – meeting in the downstairs lobby of the Holland Street Center. Become more active – make new friends – boost your brain power – feel healthier. For more information or to sign up please contact Chris Kowaleski our Health & Wellness Coordinator at 617-625-6600 ext. 2315.

The award winning Fit-4-Life Program is NOW at our Cross Street Center – 165 Broadway – And there are still some open spots. A unique combination of exercise and nutritional support opportunity under the direct supervision of a certified exercise trainer and participate in individual and group counseling with a nutritionist. The cost to you is \$10.- a month that gives you access to fitness & nutritional Fit-4-Life classes each week. Limited scholarships are available – Need more information? Please contact Chris Kowaleski our Health & Wellness Coordinator at 617-625-6600 ext. 2315 or email him at CKowaleski@somervillema.gov This is for older adults 55+ Space is limited so sign up early.

Weekly Exercise Class Schedule

Holland = (H) Ralph & Jenny = (RJ) Cross Street = (C)

Mondays:

8:30 Walking / Talking Group (H) 8:30 Fit-4-Life Group C (H) 12:00 Nutrition Counseling with Mimi (H) 1:00 Fit-4-Life (H)

Tuesdays:

9:15 Strengthening - \$3 per class (H) 10:30 Fit-4-Life Cross Street* (C) 1:00 Dalcroze Eurhythmics - \$2.00 (H) 6:00 LBT Fit 4 Life (H)

Wednesdays:

8:45 Fit 4 Life* Group A (H) 9:00 Fit 4 Life* Group B (H) 12:00 Fit 4 Life* Group C (H) 5:15 Zumba for All - \$3 per class (H)

Thursdays:

9:00 Yoga (H)

9:30 Strengthening - \$3 per class (RJ) 10:30 Fit 4 Life (C) 6:00 LBT Fit 4 Life*

Fridays:

8:45 Fit 4 Life* Group A 9:55 Fit 4 Life* Group B

11:00 Nutrition Counseling with Mimi

*All Fit 4 Life classes are \$10/month and require pre-registration**If you are interested in our Yoga classes, please call Chris Kowaleski, our Health & Wellness Coordinator at 617-625-6600, Ext. 2315

Upcoming Schedule

Holland = (H) Ralph & Jenny = (RJ) Cross Street = (C)

Wednesday July 8

10:00 English Conversation (C) 10:00 Cards (RJ) 11:30 Lunch (H, RJ, C) 12:45 Bingo (RJ)

Thursday|July 9

10:00 Cards (RJ)

10:00 Scarves for Soldiers (RJ)

10:00 Current Events (H)

10:30 Exercise (C)

11:00 Computer tutorial with Barbara (by appointment only) (H)

11:30 Lunch (H, RJ)

11:30 English Coversation (C)

12:45 Bingo (RJ, H)

Friday|July 10

10:00 Book Club (H)

11:00 Farmer's Market (H)

11:00 Individual Nutrition with Mimi (H)

11:30 Lunch (H)

12:45 Bingo (H)

Monday|July 13

8:30 Walking & Talking Group (H) 9:00 Gardening Group (H) 11:30 Lunch (H)

11:30 LGBT Lunch (H)

12:00 Individual Nutrition with Mimi (H)

Tuesday|July 14

10:00 Scarves for Soldiers (RJ)

10:00 Cards (RJ)

10:30 Fit 4 Life (C)

10:30 Low Vision Support Group (H)

11:30 English Conversation (C)

11:30 Lunch (RJ)

12:00 Computer tutorial with Norbert (H)

12:30 Lunch (C)

12:45 Bingo (RJ)

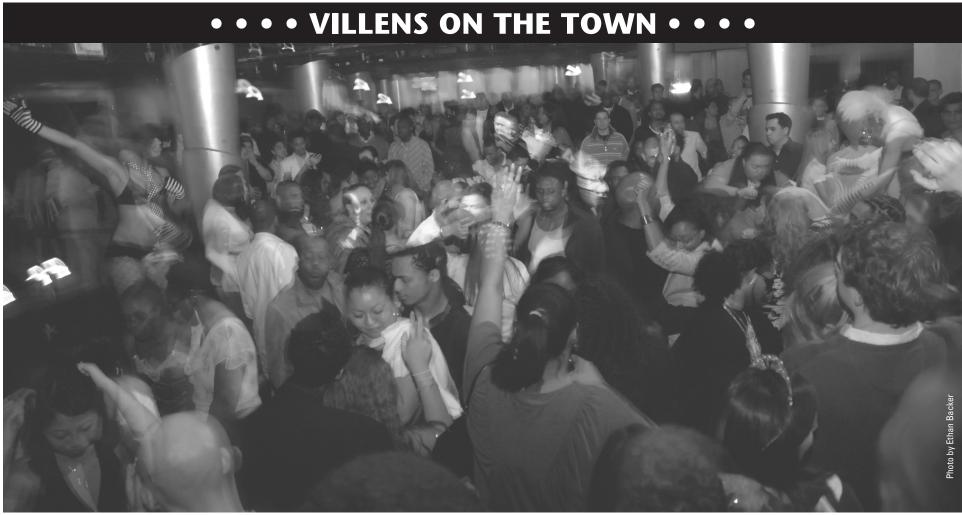
Wednesday|July 15

10:00 English Conversation (C) 10:00 Cards (RJ) 11:30 Lunch (H, RJ, C) 12:45 Bingo (RJ)

DID YOU KNOW?

We have a Facebook page. Check us out at www.facebook.com/somervilleCOA.

You can receive our monthly newsletter that is always filled with useful and important information. For a \$5.00 yearly fee you can receive it via the U.S. Postal service or a free version can be sent electronically. Please contact Connie at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2300 to sign up.



CHILDREN AND YOUTH Wednesday July 8

Central Library

Preschool: Storytime for 2 year

10:30 a.m.-11 a.m.| 79 Highland Avenue

East Branch Library

Preschool: Storytime 11 a.m.-11:30 a.m.| 115 Broadway

East Branch Library

Summer Reading Program Kick-Off: Animal World Experience Meghan Forsell-617-623-5000, x2970

2 p.m.-3 p.m.| 115 Broadway

Central Library

Middle School Writers' Den Alan Ball 6 p.m.-6:30 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Thursday July 9

Central Library

Preschool: Storytime for 3 to 5 year olds 10:30 a.m.-11:15 a.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Central Library

The Beautiful Stuff Project Cathy Piantigini 617-623-5000, x2950 4 p.m.-5 p.m.| 79 Highland

Friday July 10

East Branch Library

Paws to Read with Daisy the Therapy Dog Meghan Forsell-617-623-5000 x2970 2:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m.|115 Broad-

Monday July 13

Central Library

Middle School Writers' Den Alan Ball-617 636-9033 7 p.m.-8:15 p.m.|79 Highland

Tuesday July 14

Central Library

Kidstock! Dancing with the Starfish!

Cathy Piantigini-617-623-5000, x2950

10:30 a.m,-11:30 a.m. 79 Highland Avenue

West Branch Library

Preschool Storytime 11 a.m.-11:45 a.m.|40 College Avenue

Wednesday July 15

East Branch Library

Sing Along with Jeff Jam! Meghan Forsell-617-623-5000 x2970

11 a.m.-11:45 a.m.| 115 Broadway

Central Library

Night of the Mics Marco Jean-Baptiste-857-237-4206 5:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.| 79 Highland Avenue

MUSIC ARTS Wednesday July 8

Johnny D's

ABJEEZ (World Indie Rock) 17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's Bar

Free Poker, lots of prizes! 6 p.m.|335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren

Front Room Exile on Elm Back Room Comedy@10

247 Elm Street 617-776-6896

On The Hill Tavern 499 Broadway 617-629-5302

Orleans Restaurant and Bar 65 Holland St|617-591-2100

Bull McCabe's Pub

The A-Beez - Funk & Soul 366A Somerville Ave|617-440-

Highland Kitchen

150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

Samba Bar & Grille

608 Somerville Ave|617-718-

Joshua Tree Bar & Grill Pub Trivia 8:30 p.m.|256 Elm Street|(617) 623-9910

Arts at the Armory

Teen Open Mic Night 6 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Thursday|July 9

Johnny D's

Booker T. Jones (Soul/Rock & Roll) Grammy Lifetime Achievement Award Winner and Rock & Roll Hall of Fame Inductee / DJ John Funke + B3 Kings 17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's

Dave Yuknat, Bitter Bastids, Low Sparks 7:30 p.m. 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren

Front Room Acoustic/Bluegrass|9:30 p.m. **Back Room** Scattershot 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

On The Hill Tavern

Live DJ Music

499 Broadway 617-629-5302

Orleans Restaurant and Bar 65 Holland St|617-591-2100

Bull McCabe's

Dub Down Reggae 366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Joshua Tree

256 Elm St. |617-623-9910

Samba Bar & Grille

608 Somerville Ave|617-718-

Somerville Theatre

Awkward Compliment's Thursday Night Comedy Night 8 p.m.|55 Davis Square

Davis Square Theatre Shit-faced Shakespeare 7 pm|255 Elm Street

Friday July 10

Johnny D's

EmiSunshine (10-Year-Old Virtuoso Americana/Gospel Singer) We Dig Free Fridays presents Big Blue World + Populace 17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's

Johnnie Mac & The Local Fore-

cast |6 p.m.

HearNowLive presents Monkeybread, Mammothor, Cardboard Mercenary \$10 cover 9 p.m. 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren

Front Room Irish Session|9:30 p.m. **Back Room** Jimmy's Down 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

Orleans Restaurant and Bar

10 p.m.|65 Holland St On The Hill Tavern

499 Broadway |617-629-5302

Orleans Restaurant and Bar DJ starting at 10 p.m. 65 Holland St|617-591-2100

Bull McCabe's

TBA

366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Ioshua Tree DJ McRiddleton

256 Elm St. |617-623-9910 Samba Bar & Grille

Live music

9 p.m.|608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177

Casey's

Entertainment every Friday 173 Broadway|617-625-5195

Davis Square Theatre Shit-faced Shakespeare

7 pm|255 Elm Street

Saturday July 11

Johnny D's Jazz Brunch

Comedy Night with The World Gone Crazy Comedy Band Gunpowder Gelatine & Van Railin'

17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's

Tom Hagerty Band |6 p.m. New Million Box, Steve Walther Orchestra, Hammer and Snake|9 p.m.

335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren

Back Room Spittin

247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

Orleans Restaurant and Bar Karaoke

On the Hill Tavern

65 Holland St

Live DJ Music 499 Broadway|617-629-5302

Bull McCabe's

366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Joshua Tree

DJ El Sid!

256 Elm St. |617-623-9910

Samba Bar & Grille

Live Band & DJ 608 Somerville Ave|617-718-

9177 Casey's

Entertainment every Saturday 173 Broadway|617-625-5195

Arts at the Armory

Urban Elixer

10 a.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Sunday July 12

Johnny D's

Jazz Brunch Open Blues Jam! featuring Matthew Smart Band

17 Holland St.|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's Bar

Molly Pinto Madigan, The Paisley Fields, and Dann Russo 7:30 p.m. 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-

The Burren

Front Room

Sunday Americana with Sean Staples, Eric Royer, Tim Gearan, Dave Westner and Dan Keller | 7

p.m. **Back Room**

Burren Acoustic Music Series 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

Bull McCabe's Pub

Dub Apocalypse 366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Highland Kitchen

Sunday Brunch Live Country & **Bluegrass**

• • • • VILLENS ON THE TOWN • • • •

Sunday Night Live Music 150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

Orleans Restaurant and Bar Game Night 65 Holland St|617-591-2100

Samba Bar & Grille

Live Band & DJ 608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177

Arts at the Armory Swinging Jam Session 6:30 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Monday|July 13

Johnny D's

Stump! Pub Trivia|8:30 p.m. 17 Holland St | 617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's Bar

Shawn Cater's Cheapshots Comedy Jam |7 p.m.
Marley Mondays with The Duppy Conquerors|10 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren

Front Room Bur-Run

Helena Delaney, Johnny O'Leary & Friends Irish Session|9 p.m. Back Room

Science by the Pint 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

On The Hill Tavern 499 Broadway|617-629-5302

Bull McCabe's Pub

Stump! Team Trivia 366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Tuesday|July 14

Johnny D's

The Rezillos Recore Release Party (Scottish Rock & New Wave) Plus Petty Morals / Casanovas In Heat 17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's Bar

SYM|7:30 p.m. 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren

Front Room Jason Anick and the Swingers Swing/Jazz|8:30 p.m. Back Room

Open Mic w/ Hugh McGowan|8 p.m.

. 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

On The Hill Tavern

Stump Trivia (with prizes) 499 Broadway|617-629-5302

Bull McCabe's Pub

The Ghetto People Band 366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Highland Kitchen

First Tuesday of the Month|Spelling Bee Night hosted by Victor and Nicole of Egoart.

The fun starts at 10:00p.m.

150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

Samba Bar & Grille

608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177

PJ Ryan's

625-8200

Pub Quiz 10 p.m.|239 Holland St.|617-

Wednesday July 15

Johnny D's

Sehrang Boston Premiere: Live at Johnny D's 17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Calle O/D tark Day

Sally O'Brien's Bar Free Poker, lots of prizes! 6 p.m.|335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren

Front Room Exile on Elm Back Room

Comedy@10

247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

On The Hill Tavern 499 Broadway|617-629-5302

Orleans Restaurant and Bar 65 Holland St|617-591-2100

Bull McCabe's Pub

The A-Beez – Funk & Soul 366A Somerville Ave|617-440-

Highland Kitchen

150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

Samba Bar & Grille

608 Somerville Ave|617-718-

Joshua Tree Bar & Grill

8:30 p.m.|256 Elm Street|(617) 623-9910

Arts at the Armory

Pub Trivia

Tanner Lavallee 7 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

CLASSES AND GROUPS Wednesday|July 8

Central Library

Board Game Night Ellen Jacobs|617-623-5000 x2914 7 p.m.-8:45 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Thursday July 9

West Branch Library Learn English at the Library

Learn English at the Library! (Session 1) 6 p.m.-7 p.m. (Session 2)7:15 p.m.-8:30 p.m. 40 College Avenue

First Church Somerville

Debtors Anonymous- a 12 Step program for people with problems with money and debt. 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|89 College Ave (Upstairs Parlor).
For more info call: 781-762-6629

Saturday|July 11

Bagel Bards

Somerville Writers and Poets

meet weekly to discuss their work 9 a.m.-12 p.m.|Au Bon Pain| 18-48 Holland St

Sunday July 12

Unity Church of God

Fourth Step to Freedom Al-Anon Family Groups

7:00 P.M. | 6 William Street Enter upstairs, meeting is in basement.

Monday July 13

East Branch Library

Learn English at the Library! (Session 1) 6 p.m.-7 p.m. (Session 2) 7:15 p.m.-8:15 p.m. 115 Broadway

Tuesday|July 14

Central Library

Learn English at the Library! 6 p.m.-7:30 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Arts at the Armory

Prenatal Yoga

7 p.m.|Mezzanine|191 Highland Ave

Wednesday|July 15

Central Library

Staff Meeting Wendy Wood

617-623-5000 x2946 3 p.m.-4 p.m.|79 Highland Ave



Climate Ride coming through Somerville

By Tom Bannister

This summer, hundreds of environmental, sustainability, transportation and bicycling advocates will come together from across the country to ride in the inaugural Climate Ride Northeast-Bar Harbor to Boston. From Sept. 17 through 21, the five-day 320-mile charitable bike-a-thon will take participants along the scenic coast of Maine, New Hampshire and Massachusetts while raising awareness and funds for sus-

tainability, cycling advocacy, active transportation and environmental causes right here in Somerville.

Riders have the power to direct funds raised to more than 100 regional and national non-profits. The multi-day event is organized for riders to explore the beauty of the national parks and the outdoors creating a deeper connection to the land-scape they are helping to protect. Each night, business, policy, public health and environmental experts will engage participants

in conversations about the latest conservation and sustainability issues. A celebration in Boston will follow. The event goal is to raise \$400,000.

Climate Ride Northeast–Bar Harbor to Boston is a fully supported bike-a-thon which provides meals, snacks, bike support, luggage transport and lodging for participants along the route. On the road, the Climate Ride support team assists riders to each day's final destination. Founded in 2008, Climate Ride holds three multi-day char-

ity bike rides and also offers Climate Hikes in Glacier National Park and Bryce-Zion and Independent Challenges annually around the country.

Climate Ride was the first adventure travel nonprofit to raise funds for environmental causes and awareness about the importance of bike safety and advocacy, thus making the connection that an increase in active transportation will improve health and sustainability in our communities. It remains the largest in terms of its national scope and money

raised with its choose-your-own beneficiary model. In 2014, 390 Climate Riders raised \$725,000, which was granted to more than 100 beneficiaries. To date, Climate Ride has raised and contributed \$2.28 million.

Registration for the inaugural Climate Ride Northeast-Bar Harbor to Boston is now open. To register to ride or to support a cyclist or team, visit www.climateride.org or call 406-552-0708. Participants can enter the discount code climateride2015 for \$25 off their registration fee.

CLASSIFIEDS

Place your classified ad today - only \$1 per word! E-mail: ads@thesomervilletimes.com

AUTO DONATIONS

Donate Your Car to Veterans Today! Help and Support our Veterans. Fast - FREE pick up. 100% tax deductible. Call 1-800-656-1632

AUTOS WANTED

Cash For Cars: Any Make, Model or Year. We Pay MORE! Running or Not, Sell your Car or Truck TODAY. Free Towing! Instant Offer: 1-800-871-0654

TOP CASH FOR CARS, Any Car/Truck, Running or Not. Call for INSTANT offer: 1-800-454-6951

CARS/TRUCKS WANTED! Top \$\$\$\$ PAID! Running or Not, All Years, Makes, Models. Free Towing! We're Local! 7 Days/Week. Call Toll Free: 1-888-416-2330

GET CASHTODAY for any car/truck. I will buy your car today. Any Condition. Call 1-800-864-5796 or www. carbuyguy.com

EMPLOYMENT

Attention Licensed Real Estate Agents needed: Very busy Somerville based office in need of additional agents, no fee referrals, Sales & Rentals, Part time or Full Time. work from home online, full office back up and highest paid no strings commissions. Call for private interview 617 623-6600 ask for Donald.

FOR RENT

Warm Weather Is Year Round In Aruba. The water is safe, and the dining is fantastic. Walk out to the beach. 3-Bedroom weeks available. Sleeps 8. \$3500. Email: carolaction@aol.com for more information.

HEALTH & FITNESS

VIAGRA/CIALIS 40 100mg//20mg Pills for Only \$99.00! Plus 4 Pills for FREE. Discreet Shipping. Save \$500.00 Now! Call 1-888-797-9013

VIAGRA 100mg, CIALIS 20mg. 40 tabs +10 FREE, \$99 includes FREE SHIP-PING. 1-888-836-0780 or Metro-Meds.net

VIAGRA 100MG and CIALIS 20mg! 50 Pills \$99.00 FREE Shipping! 100% guaranteed. CALL NOW! 1-866-312-6061

VIAGRA 100MG and CIALIS 20mg! 40 Pills + 10 FREE. SPECIAL \$99.00 100% guaranteed. FREE Shipping! 24/7 CALL NOW! 1-888-223-8818

MEDICAL

VIAGRA & CIALIS! 50 pills for \$95. 100 pills for \$150 FREE shipping. NO prescriptions needed. Money back guaranteed! 1-877-743-5419

MISCELLANEOUS

Make a Connection. Real People, Flirty Chat. Meet singles right now! Call LiveLinks. Try it FREE. Call NOW: 1-888-909-9905 18+.

DISHTV Starting at \$19.99/ month (for 12 mos.) SAVE! Regular Price \$34.99 Ask About FREE SAME DAY Installation! CALL Now! 877-477-9659

CASH FOR CARS, Any Make or Model! Free Towing. Sell it TODAY. Instant offer: 1-800-864-5784

Ring-Magic, Ring Safety Bands. Finally, end ring spin, end ring discomfort, end worry over loss. Never lose a ring again! LAST CALL, FREE OFFER! www. ringmagic241.com

!!OLD GUITARS WANT-ED!! Gibson,Martin,Fender,Gretsch. 1930-1980.Top Dollar paid!! Call Toll Free 1-866-433-8277

DISHTV Starting at \$19.99/ month (for 12 mos.) SAVE! Regular Price \$34.99 Ask About FREE SAME DAY Installation! CALL Now! 877-648-0096

AVIATION Grads work with JetBlue, Boeing, Delta and others- start here with hands on training for FAA certification. Financial aid if qualified. Call Aviation Institute of Maintenance 866-453-6204

ACCESS YOUR LAWSUIT CASH! In an Injury Lawsuit? Need Cash Now? Low Rates. No Credit Checks/ Monthly Payments. Call Now 1-800-568-8321. www.lawcapital.com

SUPPORT our service members, veterans and their families in their time of need. For more information visit the Fisher House website at www.fisherhouse.org

AIRLINE CAREERS. Get FAA approved maintenance training at campuses coast to coast. Job placement assistance. Financial Aid for qualifying students. Military friendly. Call AIM 888-686-1704

CASH FOR CARS: All Cars/ Trucks Wanted. Running or Not! Top Dollar Paid. We Come To You! Any Make/ Model. Call For Instant Offer: 1-800-864-5960

CASH PAID for unexpired, sealed DIABETICTEST STRIPS! 1 DAY PAYMENT & PREPAID shipping. HIGHEST PRICES! Call 1-888-776-7771. www.Cash4DiabeticSupplies.com

YOUNG READERS – Find the magic of farm life in this wonderful children's book. Check out Richard the Donkey and His LOUD, LOUD Voice at www.RichardThe-Donkey.com

Dish Network. Starting \$19.99/month (for 12 months.) PLUS Bundle & SAVE (Fast Internet for \$15 more/month.) CALL 1-800-240-0859

Safe Step Walk-In Tub Alert

for Seniors. Bathroom falls can be fatal. Approved by Arthritis Foundation. Therapeutic Jets. Less Than 4 Inch Step-In. Wide Door. Anti-Slip Floors. American Made. Installation Included. Call 800-980-6076 for \$750 Off.

Got Knee Pain? Back Pain? Shoulder Pain? Get a pain-relieving brace -little or NO cost to you. Medicare Patients Call Health Hotline Now! 1-800-491-6053

Make a Connection. Real People, Flirty Chat. Meet singles right now! Call LiveLinks. Try it FREE. Call NOW: Call 1-877-737-9447 18+

SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY BENEFITS. Unable to work? Denied benefits? We Can Help! WIN or Pay Nothing! Contact Bill Gordon & Associates at 1-800-290-8321 to start your application today!

Want To Purchase Minerals And Other Oil/Gas Interests. Send Details To: PO Box 13557, Denver CO 80201.

WANTED TO BUY

CASH PAID- up to \$25/Box for unexpired, sealed DIA-BETICTEST STRIPS. 1-DAY-PAYMENT.1-800-371-1136

Wants to purchase minerals and other oil and gas interests. Send details to P.O. Box 13557 Denver, Co. 80201

Place your Classified Ad in The Somerville Times today!

Artificial turf is too risky for our kids and our finances CONT. FROM PG 10

[the studies] are long term, they rarely involve young children."

His colleague Dr. Philip Landrigan, a toxic substances expert, stated that, "gifted athletes are on the soccer field almost every day. That sort of cumulative exposure results in a buildup in their body of these toxic chemicals, and can result in a buildup of cellular damage that can then result in disease years or decades later."

Six years ago the Environmental Protection Agency and the Consumer Products Safety Commission pronounced artificial turf as safe with specific reference only to lead content. Now both agencies are backing away from earlier pronouncements, stating, as Dr. Forman implies, that more studies are needed.

Meanwhile, anecdotal evidence is mounting. Amy Griffen is a University of Washington Soccer Coach. When two of her goalies underwent chemotherapy for lymphoma, she began chronicling cases of student athletes who were diagnosed with cancer after long-term exposure to artificial turf. She is up to 153. Cost Concerns

Public officials are often drawn to artificial turf because they imagine that despite its enormous up-front costs, long-term maintenance will be minimal. But professional groundskeepers say that maintenance costs are about the same as with grass. They report that effective artificial turf maintenance is demanding and costly.

It must be regularly vacuumed to remove dust, dirt, pollen, skin cells, and a host of other debris. It must be regularly "groomed" with a special tool to insure that the fibers remain vertical. If they don't, they cannot provide traction, block drainage, and absorb UV rays, which hasten their disintegration.

Infill becomes compacted and

must be raked, as well as regularly cleaned out with water or compressed air. Worn surfaces and displaced infill must be replaced. Tears must be promptly repaired if the municipality is to avoid liability. Failing to do any of the foregoing voids the turf's warranty, which is typically only eight years.

A former FIFA employee and twenty-year grounds-keeping veteran explained to me that indigenous soil contains microorganisms that break down impurities in grass. Since these microorganisms cannot do their work on the bodily fluids, animal feces, and food products deposited on artificial turf, it must be regularly disinfected.

Without proper maintenance, artificial turf may remain green and attractive to the eye, but it quickly becomes a hazardous ineffective playing surface. It's hard to imagine that Somerville's longstanding pattern of

field overuse and under-maintenance would abruptly change after artificial turf installation, particularly since the costly installation's rationale is based on it's requiring less maintenance while enduring greater use.

In articles like "How Taxpayers Get Fooled on the Cost of an Artificial Turf Field" and "Buyers Remorse Surfacing Over Artificial Turf Fields," Forbes journalist Mike Ozanian is documenting communities that lived to regret the artificial-turf-costs-less calculation.

Preparing this column, I encountered a tendency to blame the Department of Public Works for the sorry state of our playing fields. In fact, the problem begins with Somerville's having the lowest proportion of usable open space in Massachusetts and enormous demand for its use.

The city does not charge sports groups sufficient fees, nor bud-

get sufficient tax revenues, to pay for adequate maintenance. Any solution must address the root causes of insufficient field space and inadequate maintenance funding.

Space constraints do not permit me to review artificial turf's many environmental concerns. But they are well worth considering.

For me, the most persuasive argument against artificial turf is its potential health impacts on developing bodies. The industry's claims that its product has been "proven" safe ring hollow when I consider that the epidemiological studies that would constitute such proof have not been performed. Putting kids on artificial turf before such proof is established is gambling with their lives.

Coach Amy Griffen put it this way: "In large form [tires are] hazardous waste. And in crumb form it's OK for kids?"

The Somerville Times

To advertise in our Business Directory, call or fax.

> Phone: 617-666-4010 Fax: 617-628-0422

Let your customers find you in Somerville's most widely read newspaper!

BUSINESS DIRECTORY

BUDGET WASTE REMOVAL

- **RUBBISH REMOVAL**
- **CONSTRUCTION & ESTATE CLEANOUTS**
- **-INTERIOR/EXTERIOR DEMOLITION**
- **YARD WASTE REMOVAL**
- **DUMPSTER ALTERNATIVE**
- **DEMO/CONSTRUCTION BAG PICK UP = SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL**
- **ONE PICK UP TRUCK LOAD STARTING AT \$139.99**

www.BudgetWasteRemoval.net

781.233.2244



Christian Science Practitioner

Ryan T. Siewert

www.christianscience.com

See how God's love removes health, | (617) 710-7343 financial, & relationship challenges. | rsiewertcs@gmail.com



ROCKLAND

Where Each Relationship Matters

Robert A. Misner Senior Loan Officer

NMLS #350559 270 Mystic Avenue Medford, MA 02155 P 508.830.3247 F 508.732.7973 C 617.461.4622 Robert.Misner@RocklandTrust.com www.RocklandTrust.com



(617) 625-4850 (781) 641-4040 www.bestpest.com

BEST PEST CONTROL SERVICES

ROD KREIMEYER Owner

63 ELM STREET SOMERVILLE, MASS. 02144

"One Call Fixes It All" HE DRAIN GUY SEVER & DRAIN GUEANING 617 591 1199

Professional Drain Service in the Greater Boston Area

Prompt, Friendly, Professional Service

24 hours 7 days a week, including holidays

NO NIGHT OR WEEKEND CHARGE!

Need a Drain Unclogged?

The Drain Guv • (617)-591-1199 www.thedrainguy.com

Sell your house today!

"We'll sell your bouse fast!"



~ Notary Public ~ Justice of the Peace ~ MARIE HOWE REAL ESTATE

617-666-4040

Expert "plumber for the digital age" : **Geek For Hire** exceptional computer service for home or business

Don Stevenson

617.515.2933 (cell), don.stevenson2@gmail.com www.donstevensongeekforhire.com

PROVIDING COMPUTER AND NETWORKING SOLUTIONS FOR HOME OR BUSINESS

Richard G. Di Girolamo Anne M. Vigorito

ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW

Criminal Defense Civil Litigation Personal Injury Family Law Real Estate Law Immigration Law Employment Law Bankruptcy Zoning

TELEPHONE: (617) 666-8200

FAX: (617) 776-5435

EMAIL: digirolamolegal@verizon.net 424 BROADWAY, SOMERVILLE, MA 02145

T. J. SILLARI, INC.

Over 50 Years Experience

Proud to be a Somerville Business Resident

 Plumbing • Heating Gas Fitting
 Industrial Work Water Heater Replacement Complete Drain Service

Residential - Industrial - Commercial

Master Plmb. Lic. #6106

625-9877

109 College Avenue Somerville, MA 02144 njberman2@juno.com ph: 617/628-1563 fax: 617/776-0074 Common Sense Legal Counseling Attorney Neil J. Berman

Prudential

JACK LISTER Sales Associate

Relocation Specialist

Buccelli Real Estate

368 Highland Avenue (Davis Square) Somerville, MA 02144 Office 617 776-3311 Cell 617 438-2460 Fax 617 591-8332 Listerjack@aol.com www.listersrealtyworld.com

Alibrandi's Barber Shop

Men & Boys Haircuts

"Best Somerville Barber"

194 Holland St, Somerville, MA 02144

617-628-4282

MICHAEL GONZA

PROFESSIONAL PAINTING/HANDY MAN



MICHAELAGONZA87@GMAIL.COM

DAVIS SQ. SOMERVILLE, MA

617.905.6248

To advertise in **The Somerville Times** call **Bobbie Toner: 617-666-4010**

The Somerville Times

Somerville Community Access TV Ch.3 Programming Guide

Celebrating 30 years of making grassroots community media for Somerville

Want to learn TV production? Final Cut Pro? Soundtrack Pro? Green-screen? Call us today for more info! 617-628-8826							
Wednesda	ay, July 8	6:00pm	TBT: Throwback Thursday	1:00pm	Art as Protest	9:00am	The Stephanie Miller Show
6:30am	Road to Recovery	6:30pm	Health is Wealth	1:30pm	MAPS Health Connector	10:00am	Bay State Biking News
7:00am	Somerville Film Group	7:00pm	Taking Back your Health (Live call-in)	2:00pm	Henry Parker Presents	11:00am	Pearls of Irregular Shape
7:30am	Life Matters	7:30pm	Active Aging	3:00pm	Telemagazine	12:00pm	The Thom Hartmann Show
8:00am	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)	8:00pm	Fouye Zo Nan Kalalou (Live call-in)	4:00pm	Somerville Neighborhood News	1:00pm	Somerville Film Group:
9:00am	SCATV Presents Potluck and Lecture Series	9:30pm	The White House Chronicle	4:30pm	Culture Club	2:00pm	Exercise with Robyn and Max
10:00am	Somerville Neighborhood News	10:00pm	Somerville Film Group	5:00pm	Tele Kreyol	2:30pm	Esoteric Science
10:30am	Art at SCATV	11:00pm	Art as Protest	6:00pm	Pearls of Irregular Shape	4:00pm	Free Speech Television
11:00am	Abugida TV	Friday, Ju	ıly 10	7:00pm	Somerville Film Group	5:00pm	Henry Parker Presents
12:00pm T	he Big Picture with Thom Hartmann Show	6:00pm	Somerville Film Group	7:30pm	Creative Somerville	5:30pm	Literati Scene
1:30pm	Henry Parker Presents	7:30am	Shrink Rap	8:00pm	David Pakman (Free Speech TV)	6:00pm	Ville Pirates
2:00pm	Physician Focus	8:00am	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)	9:00pm	Nossa Gente e Costumes	6:30pm	Youth Programing
2:30pm	SCATV Presents	9:00am	SCATV Presents Potluck and Lecture Series	10:00pm	Open Line News with Davey D	7:00pm	The Somerville Line
4:00pm	Free Speech Television	10:00am	Pearls of Irregular Shape	11:00pm	Gay News USA (Free Speech TV)	8:00pm	Abugida TV
5:00pm	Energy Theater	11:00am	Henry Parker Presents:	Sunday, J	uly 12		Dedilhando au Saudade
6:00pm	Ville Pirates	12:00pm	Brunch with Sen. Bernie Sanders	6:00am	Program Celebrai	9:00pm	
6:30pm	Somerville Housing Authority	1:00pm	Creative Somerville Series	7:00am	Rompendo em Fe	10:00pm	Bate Papo com Shirley
7:00pm	Art as Protest	2:00pm	SCATV Presents Honk Festival	8:00am	Effort Pour Christ	11:00pm	The Entertainer's Show
8:00pm	Somerville Pundits	3:00pm	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)	9:00am	Heritage Baptist Church	Tuesday, Jul	y 14
8:30pm	The Steve Katsos Show	4:00pm	The Thom Hartmann Show	10:00am	Evangelico	7:00am	The Struggle
9:00pm	Bay State Biking News	5:00pm	Somerville Jazz Festival 2014	10:30am	Active Aging	8:00am	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)
10:00pm	Art at SCATV	5:30pm	Mystic Learning Center: Variety Hour	11:00am	Poet to Poet/Writer to Writer	9:00am	The Struggle
10:30pm	SCATV Presents Honk Festival	6:00pm	Somerville Housing Authority	11:30am	Taking Back Your Health	10:00am	Shrink Wrap
11:00pm	Visual Radio	6:30pm	Art at SCATV	12:00pm	Inside Talk	11:00am	Wicked Sober
Thursday,	July 9	7:00pm	Somerville Film Group:	12:30pm	Somerville Film Group	11:30am	Ablevision
6:00am	Atheist Viewpoint	8:00pm	Pearls of Irregular Shape	1:00pm	Somerville Neighborhood News	12:00pm	The Thom Hartmann Show
7:00am	Creating Cooperative Kids	9:00pm	Energy Theater	1:30pm	Somerville Journal & Times Reading	1:00pm	Art as Protest
8:00am	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)	9:30pm	The Steve Katsos Show	2:00pm	Legacies - A SCATV Production	2:00pm	Art at SCATV
9:00am	Cancer Explained!	10:00pm	The Somerville Line	2:30pm	Life Matters	2:30pm	Jeff Jam Sing Song Show
9:30am	Girls Talk	11:00pm	Acronym TV (Free Speech TV)	3:00pm	Rompendo em Fe		Tele Galxie
10:00am	Dead Air Live	11:30pm	Wikiest link	4:00pm	Dedilhando a Saudade	3:00pm	
11:00am	Greater Somerville	Saturday	, July 11	5:00pm	Race, Community, and Police Relations	4:00pm	Ring of Fire (Free Speech TV)
11:30am	Ablevision	6:00am	Arabic Hour	6:00pm	Abugida TV	5:00pm	Poet to Poet/Writer to Writer
12:00pm	The Thom Hartman Show	7:00am	The Somerville Line	7:00pm	African Television Network	5:30pm	The Literati Scene
1:00pm	Chef's Table Series	8:00am	Jeff Jam Sing Song Show	8:00pm	Tele Magazine	6:00pm	Creative Somerville
2:00pm	Neighborhood Cooking w/Candy	8:30am	Jeff Jam Sing Song Show	9:00pm	Effort Pour Christ	6:30pm	Culture Club
2:30pm	Cooking with Georgia & Dez	9:00am	Festival Kreyol	Monday,	July 13	7:00pm	Somerville Neighborhood News
3:00pm	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)	10:00am	Tele Galaxie	6:00am	Ablevision	7:30pm	Greater Somerville
4:00pm	Free Speech Television	11:00am	Dead Air Live	6:30am	Creating Cooperative Kids	8:00pm	Dead Air Live
5:00pm	Jeff Jam Sing Song Show	12:00pm	Honk Festival	7:30am	Eckankar	9:00pm	Energy Theater
5:30pm	Eat Well Be Happy Cooking Show	12:30pm	Taking Back Your Health	8:00am	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)	11:00pm	The David Pakman Show

Aldermen at Work – Mark Niedergang

Milk Row Cemetery Tour

ı	,	,, ·
	9:00am:	Family Fun Day 2015
	9:15am:	Jane's Walk in Union Square
	12:00pm:	The History of Agriculture in Somerville
	1:00pm:	Superintendent Pierantozzi's Farewell
	2:00pm:	Connecting Communities –
		Alderman Bob McWatters
	2:30pm:	Taste of Somerville
	3:00pm: BC	A Finance Committee Meeting – 7.6.15
	6:30pm:	SomerViva en Espanol
	7:00pm: Inde	ependence Day Celebration & Fireworks
	9:00pm:	SomerViva an Kreyol
	Thursday, Ju	ıly 9
	12:00am:	LGBTQ Flag Raising
	12:15am:	Family Fun Day 2015
	12:30am:	SomerViva em Portugues
	1:00am:	Congressional Update
	1:30am: Inde	ependence Day Celebration & Fireworks
	3:30am:	Jane's Walk in Union Square
	9:00am: Inde	ependence Day Celebration & Fireworks
	12:00pm:	Senior Circuit
	12:30pm:	SomerViva em Portugues
	1:00pm:	Porchfest 2015
	1:45pm: So	merville By Design: Union Sq. – 6.24.15
	3:25pm:	Congressional Update
	3:55pm:	E. Somerville Walking Tour
	7:00pm:	Board of Aldermen Meeting - LIVE
	Friday, July	10
	12:00am:	Joe's Jazz Fest 2015
	1:00am:	SomerViva en Espanol
	1:30am:	Aldermen at Work – Mark Niedergang
	2:00am:	Congressional Update
	2:30am:	Taste of Somerville
	9:00am:	Joe's Jazz Fest 2015
	12:00pm:	Superintendent Pierantozzi's Farewell
	1:00pm:	The History of Agriculture in Somerville
	2:00pm:	SomerViva en Espanol
	2:30pm:	Congressional Update
	3:00pm:	SCAP Annual Meeting
	6:00pm:	BOA FY '16 Budget Hearing – 6.22.15
	10:00pm:	SomerViva en Espanol
	Saturday, Ju	ly 11
	12:00am:	Congressional Update
	12:30am:	The History of Agriculture in Somerville
	1:30am:	Somerville en Espanol
	2:00am:	E. Somerville Walking Tour

9:00am: Independence Day Celebration & Fireworks

7:40pm: Somerville By Design: Union Sq. – 6.24.15

Joe's Jazz Fest

loe's lazz Fest

Milk Row Cemetery Tour

SomerViva em Portugues

SomerStreets: Carnaval on Broadway

Congressional Update

LGBTQ Flag Raising

Taste of Somerville

12:00pm:

1:00pm:

3:00pm:

3:30pm:

4:00pm:

6:30pm:

7:30pm:

7:25pm:

CITY TV 13/22

Wednesday, July 8

Sunday, Ju	ly 12
12:00am: 5	Somerville By Design: Union Sq. – 6.24.15
1:40am:	The History of Agriculture in Somerville
2:40am:	SomerViva en Espanol
3:10am:	Taste of Somerville
9:00am:	Senior Circuit
12:00pm:	Senior Circuit
12:30pm:	SomerViva en Espanol
1:00pm:	Milk Row Cemetery Tour
2:00pm:	Somerville Preservation Awards
4:00pm:	Taste of Somerville
6:30pm:	Aldermen at Work – Mark Niedergang
7:00pm:	Senior Circuit
7:30pm:	Joe's Jazz Fest
8:30pm:	Board of Aldermen Meeting – REPLAY
Monday, J	ulv 13
12:00am:	Senior Circuit
12:30am:	Board of Aldermen Meeting – REPLAY
3:00pm:	Milk Row Cemetery Tour
9:00am:	SomerViva en Espanol
12:00pm:	Board of Aldermen Meeting – REPLAY
3:00pm:	Joe's Jazz Fest
6:30pm:	Superintendent Pierantozzi's Farewell
7:30pm:	SomerViva em Portugues
	dependence Day Celebration & Fireworks
Tuesday, J	
12:00am:	Taste of Somerville
12:15am:	LGBTQ Flag Raising
	dependence Day Celebration & Fireworks
3:00am:	Superintendent Pierantozzi's Farewell
9:00am:	SomerViva an Kreyol
9:15am:	Joe's Jazz Fest
12:00pm:	Senior Circuit
12:30pm:	LGBTQ Flag Raising
12:45pm:	The History of Agriculture in Somerville
1:45pm:	Taste of Somerville
2:05pm: In	dependence Day Celebration & Fireworks
6:30pm:	SomerViva em Portugues
7:00pm:	Senior Circuit
7:30pm:	Jane's Walk in Union Square
8:45pm:	Taste of Somerville
9:00pm:	Superintendent Pierantozzi's Farewell
10:00pm:	SomerViva en Espanol
12:00am:	Senior Circuit
12:30am:	Connecting Communities –
	Aldermen Bob McWatters
1:00am:	SomerViva en Espanol
1:30am:	Somerville Preservation Awards
3:30pm:	Taste of Somerville
EDUCATIO	NAL CHANNEL 15
Wednesda	
9:00am:	School Day Games - Special Olympics
10:00am:	ESCS Spring Concert
12:00pm:	SCALE Awards Night & Graduation
	Our Schools, Our City - the SPS Experience
	. ,

9:15pm:

9:45pm:

2.00	
3:00pm:	Kennedy School Drama Club
5:00pm: 6:00pm:	School Day Games - Special Olympics ESCS Spring Concert
8:00pm:	SCALE Awards Night & Graduation
	3
	Our Schools, Our City - the SPS Experience
10:30pm:	Kennedy School Drama Club
Thursday,	•
12:00am:	Capuano School Spring Concert
1:00am:	94th Annual City Wide Track Meet
2:30am:	Public Domain Theater
9:00am:	Connecting Communities - NNO 2015
10:00am:	Superintendent Pierantozzi's Farewell
11:00am:	7th & 8th Grade Boys'
	Basketball Championship
12:30pm:	7th & 8th Grade Girls'
	Basketball Championship
2:00pm:	School Day Games - Special Olympics
3:00pm:	Healey School K-2 Spring Concert
4:00pm:	Kennedy School 4-8 Spring Concert
5:00pm:	Connecting Communities - NNO 2015
6:00pm:	Superintendent Pierantozzi's Farewell
7:00pm:	7th & 8th Grade Boys'
	Basketball Championship
8:30pm:	7th & 8th Grade Girls'
	Basketball Championship
10:00pm:	School Day Games - Special Olympics
11:00pm:	Healey School K-2 Spring Concert
Friday, July	v 10
12:00am:	Kennedy School 4-8 Spring Concert
1:00am:	Kennedy School Drama Club
2:30am:	Public Domain Theater
9:00am:	SHS Graduation 2015
11:00am:	SHS Class Day 2015
2:00pm:	Argenziano School Heritage Night
3:00pm:	Kennedy School Drama Club
4:30pm:	Healey School K-2 Spring Concert
5:00pm:	School Day Games - Special Olympics
6:00pm:	SHS Graduation 2015
8:00pm:	SHS Class Day 2015
11:00pm:	Argenziano School Heritage Night
	5 · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·

2:0	0pm:	Argenziano School Heritage Night	8:00pm:
3:0	0pm:	Kennedy School Drama Club	9:30pm:
4:30 5:00 6:00 8:00 11:0	0pm: 0pm: 0pm: 0pm: 0pm:	Healey School K-2 Spring Concert School Day Games - Special Olympics SHS Graduation 2015 SHS Class Day 2015 Argenziano School Heritage Night	Tuesday 12:00am 1:30am: 3:00am: 9:00am:
12:1 1:00 3:00 9:00 10:1 12: 1:00 2:00 3:00 4:33 5:00 6:00 7:33 8:33 9:00	00am: 0am: 0am: 0am: 00am: 00am: 30am: 30pm: 0pm: 0pm: 0pm: 0pm: 0pm: 0pm: 0pm:	School Day Games - Special Olympics Public Domain Theater Public Domain Theater Superintendent Pierantozzi's Farewell WSNS Summer Concert Capuano School Spring Concert Kennedy School K-3 Spring Concert Kennedy School Memorial Day Concert Argenziano School Memorial Day Concert Connecting Communities - NNO 2015 Superintendent Pierantozzi's Farewell WSNS Summer Concert Capuano School Spring Concert Kennedy School K-3 Spring Concert Kennedy School K-3 Spring Concert Kennedy School 4-8 Spring Concert	10:30am 11:00am 12:00pm 1:30pm: 3:00pm: 4:30pm: 5:00pm: 6:30pm: 7:00pm: 8:00pm: 9:30pm: 11:00pm 12:00am

Sunday, July	12
12:30am:	Public Domain Theater
3:00am:	Public Domain Theater
9:00am:	7th & 8th Grade Girls'
	Basketball Championship
10:00am:	7th & 8th Grade Boys'
	Basketball Championship
12:00pm:	School Day Games - Special Olympics
1:00pm:	WHCS Spring Concert
2:00pm:	Superintendent Pierantozzi's Farewell
3:00pm:	SCALE Awards Night & Graduation
5:00pm:	7th & 8th Grade Girls'
	Basketball Championship
6:00pm:	7th & 8th Grade Boys'
	Basketball Championship
8:00pm:	School Day Games - Special Olympics
9:00pm:	WHCS Spring Concert
10:00pm:	Superintendent Pierantozzi's Farewell
Monday, July	13

ESCS Spring Concert

11:00pm:

12:00am: SCALE Awards Night & Graduation 1:30am: 94th Annual City Wide Track Meet 4:00am: Public Domain Theater Connecting Communities - NNO 2015 9:00am: 10:00am: Our Schools, Our City - the SPS Experience Superintendent Pierantozzi's Farewell 11:00am: SCALE Awards Night & Graduation 12:00pm: 2:00pm: Kennedy School Drama Club 3:30pm: WSNS Summer Concert 5:00pm: Connecting Communities - NNO 2015 6:00pm: Our Schools, Our City - the SPS Experience 7:00pm: Superintendent Pierantozzi's Farewell 8:00pm: SCALE Awards Night & Graduation Kennedy School Drama Club 30pm:

iesday, July 14 2:00am: WSNS Summer Concert SCALE Awards Night & Graduation 30am: Public Domain Theater 00am: **ESCS Spring Concert** 00am: Kennedy School K-3 Spring Concert):30am: :00am: Kennedy School 4-8 Spring Concert Kennedy School Drama Club 2:00pm: WSNS Summer Concert 30pm: 94th Annual City Wide Track Meet 00pm: Connecting Communities - NNO 2015 30pm: 00pm: **ESCS Spring Concert** Kennedy School K-3 Spring Concert 30pm: Kennedy School 4-8 Spring Concert 00pm: Kennedy School Drama Club 00pm: WSNS Summer Concert 30pm: Connecting Communities - NNO 2015 :00pm: 7th & 8th Grade Girls' 2:00am: Basketball Championship 00am: 7th & 8th Grade Boys Basketball Championship Public Domain Theater

A COMERVILLE edited by Doug Holder

Somerville resident and acclaimed poet Afaa Michael Weaver graced us with a poem about the troubles in Baltimore, his native city. Weaver wrote us: When Baltimore erupted as a result of Freddie Gray's death and the weight of history, I was in Wyoming as a resident in the Jentel Arts retreat for a month long residency I won with my application. It



was quite a gift, and I was working on my new collection of poems about working class culture, "Eight Trigram Spirit Boxing." Baltimore is my hometown. I was born there, and I lived and worked there until I was thirty three years old. My heart ached to see Freddie's death and the history of hurt, which I know. So I wrote this poem for Freddie Gray and for Baltimore.

A Poem for Freddie Gray, Baltimore

Each heart its own vessel, each wish a summation of a day not even that heart can know, and here now, in this moment, this pulled out flesh of time, undone is what it comes to be, undone to do again, somewhere in the rolled back eyes of repeating what we call history when history cannot be repeated. We make new memories each time we breathe, and breathing fire we remove care from the core of what we call love because we have come to believe no one cares, as the air is filled with meaningless bits of meaning cut to shreds, walked on, forgotten. If tomorrow never comes, it is the fault of some misplaced moon and not the failure of what we know is human, what we know has mind and wish and hope carved out of spaces where we learned to live despite hatred.

— Afaa Michael Weaver Copyright©2015 by Afaa Michael Weaver

To have your work considered for the Lyrical send it to: Doug Holder, 25 School St.; Somerville, MA 02143. dougholder@post.harvard.edu

From on page 14 Ms. Cam's Cam's 110 Ans 1. 15 7. Frances Bean Cobain 2. Italy 8. Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone 3. Edward 9. Chicago 4. The Who 10. Batdance 5. Phyllis 11. Parking meters 6. The Misfits 12. The Majestic

OFF THE SHELF

by Doug Holder

East Somerville Main Streets and Mudflat Studio:

Using Mosaics and Media to preserve memories and promote change

In the 20 years that I have lived in Somerville I have often heard of that bastion of ceramic arts, the Mudflat Studio. I always wanted to visit, but I had never got around to it. So, when I got the Somerville Arts Council announcement about East Somerville Main Streets' collaboration with the studio on a mosaic project, as part of a larger project *This is East*, I was intrigued and tracked the story down.

The Mudflat Studio was founded in 1971 in East Somerville. In September of 2011 it moved from its original home in East Somerville to a reinvigorated 1915 vintage building that once was one of Somerville's 14 movie theaters.

The Mudflat building stands on Broadway, a street that is lined with bodegas, Hispanic eateries, small markets, liquor stores, and the like. I met the three principal players in the *This is East* project which includes artist and expressive therapist Laura Smith. Smith works closely with Teresa Vazquez Dodero, the new director of East Somerville Main Streets, putting together this ambitious project. Lynn Gervens, the Executive Director of Mudflat Studio, – who provides technical assistance for the project – was on hand as well.

The *This is East* project presents East Somerville voices, stories, and history to record what East Somerville was, and hopefully in some way informs the changes it is going under with the rapid gentrification of our city. Dodero is a realist and told me, "If rents go up, and people sell their homes, and the gentrification proceeds unchecked, the neighborhood will lose its diversity. Right now I like the mix of hipsters, and old and new Somervillians."

Laura Smith told me that the project includes a documentary produced at Somerville Community Access TV, and enjoys the backing of the Somerville Arts Council. The documentary will include stories from residents that will serve as a historical record for this often overlooked part of our city. These conversations are part of a three pronged project that include mosaics, a documentary, and banners.

As part of the mosaic project (that is slated to be completed in Aug 2015), mosaic tiles will decorate the faces of benches outside the East Somerville Public Library. The mosaics have been created by



L to R: Teresa Vazquez Dodero, Laura Smith, Lynn Gervens

residents of various ages – schoolchildren to seniors – from workshops that Smith ran. Smith said, "I worked with elders at the Council on Aging site on Cross St, as well as a cross section of folks throughout East Somerville." Peppered on these mosaics are portraits of significant people in the community. They will also appear on banners that are part of the project. Dodero reminded me that *This is East* is funded by a NEA grant, an essential part of their funding.

Lynn Gervens, who has been at the helm of the Studio for over 30 years, told me, "Mudflat has provided technical support for the production of the mosaics. We have several large kilns to fire the mosaics. After the mosaics are formed, they are fired and glazed, and the process is repeated." Gervens gave me a tour of Mudflat. It is an impressive site, a sort of a cinema of ceramics. I could visualize the tall and wide screen of a movie theater on a towering wall. Off to the side there were a plethora of shelves sporting pottery of all sorts and sizes, probably where movie-lovers and lovers once sat. Gervens said, "We have 39 studios for artists. We offer classes, and we have extensive outreach in the community. Our current artist-in-residence is Rachel Eng. She is a clay artist who has her work on display in the window showcase in Davis Square."

As Somerville changes, more projects like this one should crop up. It should remind folks that Somerville was once a very different burg from the prospective city of the future. And hopefully there will still be enough people around to remember what it once was.

35th Annual Mayor's Senior Picnic

Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone invites you to attend the Annual "Old Time" Senior Picnic, Wednesday, August 5 (Rain date Friday, August 7), 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at Powderhouse Park. It's a wonderful day of dancing, music, entertainment and prizes galore. Tickets are available at the following locations: Holland Street Center, 167 Holland Street; Cross Street Center, 165 Broadway; Ralph & Jenny Center, 9 New Washington Street; Mayor's Office/City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue. All Senior Housing Buildings clients must sign up for tickets at your building. For more information contact Connie at 617-625-6600 X 2300.



O'Donovan Law Office

741 Broadway Sean T. O'Donovan, Esq.

Specializing in

- Zoning/Permitting
 - Real Estate
 - Civil and Criminal Litigation
 - Estate Planning/Wills & Trusts

www.ODOLAW.COM

CALL FOR INITIAL FREE CONSULTATION

617 629-8888 FAX 617 623-7990

MOUNT VERNON

RESTAURANT

14 Broadway, Somerville MA

617-666-3830

A tradition of fine foods since 1935

Celebrating our 80th Anniversary!

Serving lunch and dinner 7 days a week

Twin Lobster Special

Since 1935



Sunday Brunch with this coupon through the month of July



from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30p.m.

Regularly 18.99 valid up to 10 guests

Not to be combined with any other offers or coupons

T.J.SILLARI, INC.

Over 50 Years Experience

Plumbing

Heating

Gas Fitting

Industrial Work

Water Heater Replacement

Complete Drain Service

Residential - Industrial - Commercial

625-9877

Proud to be a Somerville resident Master Plmb. Lic. #6106

Martin B. Dropkin Nancy G. Matza Tel: 617-623-4600



Attorneys at Law

Fax: 617-625-7315

DROPKIN & MATZA LLP

Attorneys at Law

424 Broadway Somerville MA 02145

Bankruptcy

Family Law

Immigration

Personal Injury

Business Law

Estate Planning and Probate

Real Estate

Elder Law

Civil Litigation

mdropkin@dropkinmatza.com